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WASHINGTON, Wednesday, Dec. 23.

Senator STUART, of Michigan, made a most effective argument against the Lecompton fraud to-day. Senator BRODERICK's assault upon the Administration was characteristically bold and pointed.

In Executive Session to-day, there was a further discussion on the confirmation of SEDGWICK as District-Attorney, but there was no vote. It is believed that if a vote had been taken to-day, he would have been rejected. It is charged that he is a consistent Free-Soiler.

The Treasury Department does not expect to get the Treasury note plates engraved in much short of three weeks. The intention is to make them so that they cannot be counterfeited by photograph. In the meantime the Sub-Treasury will receive deposits of gold, with orders for the notes, and when the paper is ready the notes will be issued for them, dated on the day of deposit. The present rate of interest will be three per cent.

The disbursements consequent upon the passage of the emendatory Congressional compensation will not be made for ten days yet.

General HARNEY publishes a letter here to-day, in entire sympathy with General WALKER's movements. S.

Instructions to Secretary Denver, Acting Governor of Kansas.

WASHINGTON, Wednesday, Dec. 23.

The President, in response to a call of the Senate, to-day sent a large mass of documents on Kansas affairs—among them the following:

DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON, Dec. 11, 1857.

James W. Denver, Esq., Secretary and Acting Governor of Kansas Territory:

SIR: You have already been informed that Mr. STANTON has been removed from the office of Secretary of the Territory of Kansas, and that you have been appointed in his place. I desire now to state to you distinctly the reason of this change. The Convention which met at Lecompton on the 1st of September, had framed a Constitution and had authorized its president to submit the question to the people of Kansas on the 21st of December, whether this Constitution should be adopted with or without Slavery. The importance of the issue could not well be overestimated. It involved the complete and authoritative settlement of the only subject of difference which had seriously agitated Kansas or interfered with its prosperity. The qualified electors, therefore, to whom this settlement was referred, not only had unquestionable right to attend at the polls and give their votes on the day appointed but they were required to do so by the highest considerations of public duty. In the exercise of this right, moreover, they were entitled to adequate protection by the Territorial Government, and the acting Governor was bound to employ all legal means at his command to give security and fairness to the election. With the conflicting opinions which prevailed in the Territory on the question submitted he had no right to interfere. They had their appropriate issue at the ballot-box, and to that peaceful arbitrament they might safely be referred. The great objects to be accomplished in the opinion of the President were to preserve the peace of the Territory and secure freedom in the election. Entertaining these views, he was surprised to learn that the Secretary and Acting Governor had on the first of December issued his proclamation for a special session of the Territorial Legislature on the 7th instant, only a few weeks in advance of its regular time of meeting, and only fourteen days before a decision was to be made on the question submitted by the Convention. The course of Mr. STANTON the President seriously believes has thrown a new element of discord among the excited people of Kansas, and it is directly at war, therefore, with the peaceful policy of the Administration.

For this reason he has felt his duty to remove him. From these views you will readily understand what the President regards as the chief duty which devolves upon you as Mr. STANTON's successor. This duty is to preserve peace in Kansas. Every person entitled to vote on the Constitution ought to have safe access to the polls, and to be free from any restraint whatever in the exercise of the elective franchise.

If the civil power is found insufficient for this purpose, the troops of the United States should be employed in aid of it, and it may be a wise precaution to have them stationed, in advance, within reach of those places where, in your judgment, their services are likely to be required. It is earnestly hoped that the use of the military power may be wholly avoided. Violence is always less likely to occur when the means are known to be at hand for its prompt suppression. Should the military force become absolutely necessary to keep the peace, you will find full instructions with reference to the proper mode of employing it in my communications to Governor WALKER, of March 28, July 25, and Sept. 2, 1857, and in those subsequently written to Mr. STANTON. Of these last, that of Nov. 30 was taken to Kansas by you, and you had a copy of it. All of them will doubtless be found in the archives of the Governor at Lecompton. They refer prominently to the preservation of the peace at certain important elections—but I need hardly inform you that your duty is not intended to be confined to those special occasions. It extends, of course, to the protection of all citizens in the exercise of their just rights, and applies to one legal election as well as to another. The Territorial Legislature doubtless convened on the 7th instant, and while it remains in session its members are entitled to be secure and free in their deliberations. Its rightful action must also be respected. Should it authorize an election by the people for any purpose, this election should be held without interruption, no less than those authorized by the Convention. While the peace of the Territory is preserved and freedom of election is secured, there need be no disastrous consequences.

The public journals contain reports of an intended movement by a portion of the residents of Kansas, to organize a revolutionary Government under the Topeka Constitution. It is hardly probable that this report can be well founded, but should the attempt be made and lead to practical collision with the Territorial authorities, the authority of the Government must necessarily be maintained; and from whatever quarter it is attempted to interfere by violence with the election authorized by the Constitutional Convention, or which may be authorized by the Legislature, the attempt must be resisted, and the security of the elections maintained.

The peaceful progress of these elections can obviously occasion no injury to any citizen of any party, because their results can have only their due weight under the Constitution and laws. It is to be expected, therefore, that no good citizens will endeavor to interfere with them, but that all the people will be contented to see the work of the Convention peacefully carried out to its legitimate results, and fairly presented to the consideration of Congress.

The President relies upon your firmness and discretion to give effect to these instructions. It is vitally important that the people of Kansas, and none other than the people of Kansas, should have the full determination of the question now before them for decision. It is important also, that in securing to them the protection to which they are entitled, great care should be taken not to organize any illegal authority. On this point I again refer you to my instructions to Governor WALKER and Secretary STANTON, which you will regard as directed to yourself.

It is proper to add that no action of the Territorial Legislature about to meet can interfere with the elections of the 21st of December, and 4th of January, in the mode and manner prescribed by the Constitutional Convention.

I am, Sir, respectfully your obedient servant,

LEWIS CASS, Secretary.

Secretary Cass' Reply to Governor Walker.

STATE DEPARTMENT, Dec. 18, 1857.

SIR: On Wednesday last I received your communication of the 15th inst., tendering your resignation as Governor of Kansas.

This resignation is accompanied by a long argument on the affairs of the Territory generally, to which, you are well aware, it would be impossible for this Department to reply. If every officer of the Government, who feels himself constrained to refuse obedience to the instructions of the President, shall pursue this unusual course, and thus place on the files of the appropriate Department a criticism on the policy of the Administration, no person knows better than yourself to what consequences this might lead. We must either cause the charges and arguments against the President to be filed among the public archives of the country, without contradiction or reply, or it must spend the time which ought to be devoted to the public service in controversies with subordinate officers, who may disapprove of the President's policy.

While duty, therefore, forbids me to enter into a controversial discussion with you on the various topics embraced by your argument, it is proper that I should make a remark upon a single point. You state that the President has changed his policy in regard to Kansas. And why this allegation? Simply because the Convention of Kansas have, in the exercise of the rights belonging to them, decided that they would not submit the whole Constitution to the people, although they had submitted the all-important and dangerous question of Slavery, which threatened to convulse the Union, and was alone prominent in the minds of the people throughout every State.

He had not treated the submission of this momentous question as a mere nullity. Under these circumstances it was his imperative duty, and this in strict conformity with previous instructions, to take care that a fair election be held on this vital question, and thus give peace to the Union. Had he acted in any other manner, merely because he preferred the submission of the Constitution originally to the people, his responsibility would have been of the gravest character. He never intended or expressed the opinion that the Convention were bound to submit any portion of the Constitution to the people, except the question of Slavery, much less that that portion would be invalid without such submission. Had he entertained such an opinion, this would have been in opposition to the numerous precedents which have occurred since the adoption of the Federal Constitution by the different States.

The question of Slavery was the all-absorbing question, and you were sent to Kansas, with the full confidence of the President, to carry out the principles of the Kansas-Nebraska Act. With the question of whether Kansas was to be a free or slave State, you were not to interfere. You were to secure to the people of Kansas a free and fair election, to decide the question for themselves. The President was therefore happy to learn, from your dispatches to this Department, of July 15 last, that, in all your speeches, you had refrained from expressing any opinion as to whether it should be a slave or free State.

I am instructed to inform you that your resignation of the office of Governor of Kansas has been accepted. I am, Sir, your obedient servant,

ROBT. J. WALKER, Washington. LEWIS CASS.

XXXVth CONGRESS------First Session.

SENATE.... WASHINGTON, Wednesday, Dec. 23.

The various branches of the President's Message were appropriately referred.

Mr. SIMMONS gave notice of his intention to introduce a home valuation bill.

Mr. STUART addressed the Senate on the subject of Kansas. He said it was remarked by Attorney-General BUTLER, in the Arkansas case, that the power of Congress upon the subject of the admission of new States is plenary. When the question is presented, it must necessarily be determined by the circumstances which surround and govern that particular case. It is a power which authorizes the admission of foreign States as well as those formed out of our own dominions; and this single statement would show at a glance that precedents never could, and never ought to be regarded for the purpose of determining the power or propriety in a particular case. Congress, and Congress alone, under the power conferred upon it by the Constitution, is to determine not only the question of whether the State shall be admitted at all, but is equally empowered with authority to determine how it shall be admitted. Enabling acts were not to be regarded as indispensably necessary to the admission of new States. He proceeded to apply those principles to the case under consideration. The questions to be asked were whether the form of government was republican, and *whether the people were satisfied with it, and asked admission under it*, for the power of Congress was to admit a State, and not *coerce* it. He contended that half the people of Kansas had had no opportunity to vote for the election of delegates to the Convention, as in some counties no census had been taken. How could they be expected to abide by its decision, when their voice had not been heard? He also believed that the Convention intended a trick and fraud upon the people, and expressed views in accordance with those which Mr. DOUGLAS had previously submitted. He would never give his vote to consummate that fraud, which he believed to be the most enormous that was ever undertaken to be practised upon any people under the forms of law. He believed that if this Constitution was forced upon the people of Kansas, those who did it would light the torch of civil discord throughout the Union. They might cry Peace, but there would be no peace.

Mr. BRODERICK said while he agreed with Messrs. DOUGLAS and STUART in most of their remarks, there was one point on which he wished to say a few words. When Gov. WALKER and Secretary STANTON went to Kansas, they found a state of insurrection existing there, and succeeded, with great labor, in restoring peace. Now he thought *the President and his Cabinet were alone responsible for the recent outbreaks.* This was the first time he had known the President to descend from his high position, and attempt to coerce peaceable citizens to the will of illegal party-men. He was sorry to disagree with his party, for he believed he had rendered as much service in the election of Mr. BUCHANAN as any gentleman on this floor. He was also somewhat astonished at the forbearance of the people of Kansas toward the Delegates to the Convention. If the people had flogged them, cut their ears off, and sent them out of the Territory, he, for one, would have applauded them for it. He would not make any extended remarks now, but if the Lecompton Constitution should ever be presented to the Senate, he might have something to say about it then. He would remark that he was no Free-Soiler. In his own State his most bitter opponents were Republicans.

During a conversational debate, in order to show his opposition to the Free-Soil movements, Mr. BRODERICK alluded to the fact that some years since at a Convention of the Democratic Party in the State of New-York, of which Messrs. DOOLITTLE and PRESTON KING were members, the proposition was made that if one wing of the party should consent to the passage of a resolution indorsing the Wilmot Proviso, they might have all the offices, but he refused to enter into any such agreement.

Mr. DOOLITTLE said it was true he was in the Convention, and that the Democratic Party then were divided on that issue. So far as he was concerned, though such resolutions were submitted, no proposition ever came from him, directly or indirectly, that in consideration of the passage of the resolutions, the offices should be bestowed on the other side.

Mr. BRODERICK said it was Mr. KING who made the proposition to him.

Mr. KING remarked that he had no special recollection of such a conversation. He had always considered there could be no other motive on the part of citizens residing in Free States to oppose such resolutions than the hope of obtaining offices. (Laughter.)

Mr. BRODERICK replied if his wing of the Party were anxious to obtain offices they would not agree to the passage of resolutions for that object.

Mr. KING remarked that such conversations were so frequent that, although he did not recollect this particular one, he did not question the accuracy of Mr. BRODERICK's statement. (Laughter.)

Mr. DOOLITTLE said at the time the Wilmot Proviso was before the Senate, it was expected it would pass. Mr. CLAY wrote a letter to that effect, and Mr. CASS expressed his anxiety again and again, to be permitted to record his vote in its favor. It however failed, because JOHN DAVIS talked out the last hours of that Congress. In order to obtain the nomination of the Democratic Party for President, the Southern delegates having been instructed to oppose the nomination of any man who was not on record against the Wilmot Proviso, Mr. CASS wrote the Nicholson letter.

Mr. BROWN gave notice that he should express his views after the holidays, but would say now that if, the recent election in Kansas was a fair one, as he hoped it was, in which all parties had been allowed freely and without hindrance to participate, and Kansas should ask admission as a Free State, he stood upon the record in favor of her admission. If on the contrary, she should ask admission as a Slave State, he hoped his friends on the other side would abide by their former action and admit her.

Adjourned until the 4th of January.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WASHINGTON, Wednesday, Dec. 23.

Mr. WARREN rose to a question of privilege, and offered the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, It appears from the proclamation of BRIGHAM YOUNG, late Governor of Utah, and from the President's Message, that said Territory is now in rebellion against the Government of the United States; therefore,

Resolved, That the Committee on Territories be instructed to consider and report on the facts, and inquire into the propriety of excluding, from a seat on the floor of the House, the delegate from that Territory.

Mr. WARREN said that this was a question which the country and every honest man desired should be investigated. Members were sitting here with a delegate from a Territory which was not only morally but legally in open rebellion against the Government of the United States.

Mr. BANKS said the fact that the preamble declares that a state of war exists, did not bring the matter before the House as a question of privilege. He admitted that the conclusion affected the Delegate's rights, but the facts upon which Mr. WARREN based his conclusions did not affect his rights at all.

The Speaker remarked that the preamble might or might not be adopted by the House.

Mr. BOCOCK admitted that this was a question of privilege, but it would be for the House to say whether the reasons assigned should be admitted. He was not, nor was the House, prepared to assert that the facts charged constituted a sufficient ground for the rejection of the delegate. The House cannot set up an inquisition of morals or religion. We cannot declare a State or Territory in a condition of moral rebellion, and that therefore its representative is not entitled to be heard on this floor. A part of the State might be in a rebellion, yet are not those who are true and loyal entitled to representation? But we have no facts by which we can declare Utah in legal rebellion against the country.

Mr. HUMPHREY MARSHALL thought that under all circumstances the House ought not to entertain the subject at all. It would be observed that everything BRIGHAM YOUNG has done has been in the capacity of civil Governor of Utah. There is a strong probability that the people of the Territory might be deceived as to the extent to which BRIGHAM YOUNG, as Governor, had a right to go. He had frequently thought that it would have been prudent for the incoming Governor to have met the proclamation of BRIGHAM YOUNG with a counter-proclamation, showing the fact of his (CUMMING's) appointment. He would thus have stripped from the shoulders of YOUNG the cloak under which he is now acting and placed the inhabitants of Utah in a position to resist. He (MARSHALL) was free to say that the President would have done better if he had issued a proclamation to the people of Utah setting forth the fact of YOUNG's removal and the appointment of CUMMING. There were gentlemen here who believe in the doctrine that a State has a right to secede from the Confederacy and to resist laws which it may deem unconstitutional. Would the House conceive they have the right to instruct the Committee on Elections or a special Committee to inquire whether, in view of these facts, they should be excluded from seats in this hall?

Mr. MORRIS, of Illinois, wished instructions to the Committee on Territories, to report a bill to repeal the act organizing the Territory of Utah, and attaching that Territory to other Territory for judicial purposes.

Mr. DAVIS, of Maryland, said the preamble assumed that the Delegate is a representative of a rebellious Government, and not that of the people who elected him. There can be no such thing as a war of a State or a Territory against the Government of the United States. If the sitting delegate did not take part in the rebellion, he has legal rights equal to any other gentleman on the floor. Those who had resisted the law should be tried according to the Constitution, while the innocent should have counsel to plead in their defence. Nothing was more sacred to the people of the States and Territories than the right of representation, and it should be protected at every point.

Mr. BANKS objected to the resolution, although under other circumstances there was no member who would more cheerfully enter into an investigation than himself. There was not sufficient grounds to justify proceedings as to whether the delegate was entitled to his seat. The President, in his Message, does not say that war exists in Utah, but that BRIGHAM YOUNG has threatened rebellion, and intimates that some of his threats may be idle boasting. Therefore, he recommends that additional regiments be raised for service in that Territory.

Mr. WARREN said he wanted an investigation, and was not particular as to the form in which it should be directed. No attempt has, as charged, been made to expel the delegate without a hearing. By the proclamation of BRIGHAM YOUNG it was plain to every mind that Utah is in a state of rebellion.

Mr. CURTIS said his constituents were interested in this matter, and that a Mormon was editor of the Democratic paper in his District. He (CURTIS) wished to introduce a resolution looking to the repeal of the organic law of Utah.

Mr. WARREN replied that the gentleman (CURTIS) need not tell him that a Mormon was the Editor of the Democratic paper in his District. He might edit what is called a Democratic paper, but he does not belong to that school of Democracy which has governed, and controlled, and brought the country to the present state of its prosperity. He (WARREN) would vote to deprive the delegate from Utah of his seat here.

Mr. BOYCE remarked that no man had less sympathy with the Mormons than he. The right of Mr. BERNHISEL to his seat was not under resolution, but under the organic law of the land. BRIGHAM YOUNG is a bad man, but is his conduct to be regarded as that of the people of Utah? This is the greatest question which would come before Congress. He looked on the movement of the troops as a most unfortunate step which the Government was compelled to take, and would regret should they be compelled to shed fraternal blood.

Mr. COLFAX thought the self-respect of the American Congress demanded this investigation. Gentlemen say that the resolution is extraordinary in character; but it was offered to meet an extraordinary state of affairs, anomalous in their character, and without precedent in history. Was it not a fact that the United States authorities have been defied and trampled under foot, and their legitimate officers compelled to leave the Territory, fleeing for their lives? Were not the Mormons cutting off the army trains, throwing off their allegiance to the Government, and otherwise defying law? The President says that nothing prevails but the despotism of BRIGHAM YOUNG; yet gentlemen hesitate whether they shall pursue an investigation which their self-respect demands.

Mr. STEPHENS, while he had no objection to the adoption of the resolution, said there was nothing in the preamble which involved a question of privilege.

Mr. KEITT moved to table the resolution.

Motion negatived by 72 against 118. The resolution was then agreed to. The preamble was adopted by 107 against 77.

Mr. KEITT said he knew nothing of the proclamation of BRIGHAM YOUNG. He remembered having seen something in fugitive newspapers about it, but nothing official. The President does not declare that Utah is in a state of rebellion, but says that unless BRIGHAM YOUNG retraces his steps the Territory may be in an open state of rebellion. Then, no acts have been yet committed amounting to rebellion. The delegate from Utah represented a political system and a right on the floor. He did not represent men in or out of rebellion.

Mr. SEWARD—Is he not an agent?

Mr. KEITT—Yes.

Mr. SEWARD—If he is a mischievous agent, have we not a right to dispose of him?

Mr. KEITT—He is here under the law of the land, and there is nothing against him. The House have involved themselves in some contradiction to-day. On motion of Mr. WARREN they have declared that war exists. They say that Utah is in a state of rebellion, and yet they cut off the very sinews of war. If true, should they adjourn for ten days, and if not, should they make the declaration in the form of a resolution?

Mr. FAULKNER, from the Select Committee, made a report in regard to the accommodations of the new Hall, setting apart a portion of the gallery for Reporters and Foreign Ministers, and curtailing the classes of privileged characters to be admitted to the floor, &c. The report was adopted.

On motion of Mr. BANKS, so much of the President's Message as refers to Utah, was referred to the Committee on Territories.

Mr. FOLEY announced the death of Mr. BRENTON, and Mr. NIBLACK the death of Mr. LOCKHART, both Representatives from Indiana, pronouncing eulogies on their characters.

Adjourned to 4th January.

The Debate on Kansas Affairs—Corruption Investigations in the House, &c.

From our own Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, Tuesday, Dec. 22, 1857.

Congress having agreed to take a recess from to-morrow until the 4th of January, we shall have only one day more of discussion on the Kansas question before the Lecompton Constitution arrives, with the verdict of the people of the Territory upon it. Thus far only two Northern Senators stand publicly committed in favor of forcing that instrument upon the people, and dragging Kansas into the Union under it as a State. Those Senators are Messrs. BIGLER and FITCH. If General DENVER, Secret-Agent MARTIN, and the batch of wire-pullers sent to Kansas nearly three weeks ago, have succeeded in their mission of procuring the Slavery clause to be returned "out" at the election, there will be other Northern men ready to follow their lead; but, on the other hand, it is doubtful whether, in such a case, Southern men—finding that to be the entertainment to which the President has invited them—will not become powerfully impressed with the idea that "Popular Sovereignty" has been tampered with to an extent making it their duty to vote against Lecompton altogether. A few days more, and we shall be better able to judge whether the "healthy Democratic organization" is with Mr. DOUGLAS or against him.

The debate in the Senate to-day was equal, if not superior, to that of any preceding day this session. Mr. FITCH was bold, earnest and able in support of the Lecomptonite doctrines, and displayed considerable tact in conducting a running discussion with the Senator from Illinois, turning back upon him with a good deal of force his own proneness to personal insinuation. But Mr. DOUGLAS maintained his ground with his accustomed skill, more clearly than ever exposing the injustice of the attempt to read him out of the Democratic Party because he differed with the Administration, and rolling back upon his assailants with defiant scorn their attempts at intimidation.

The House of Representatives has already got fairly at work, with two Committees of Investigation into charges of corruption. The exposures of last session are telling for good. This sensitiveness is an excellent sign for the future, while it constitutes a confession of the good results of the investigation last Winter. The Committee of Investigation in regard to Printing, Binding, &c., of last Congress, have called a number of witnesses before them, and more are to come. Their course of investigation settles the point that the present Congress has the right to investigate in relation to transactions in the last. This is well, and now the door is open, I may be permitted to suggest to the House and its Committee, the propriety of extending their investigations over a wide field, as yet all unexplored. The Committee of last year covered over a good many unpleasant reminiscences with the declaration that want of time prevented their following up all the clues placed in their hands. Unfortunately and oddly enough, they avoided following some of the very first and strongest clues within their reach. There is abundant time now to reopen this whole matter,—to follow the "clues" in question to some result.

One of these is peculiarly a subject for the Printing Investigating Committee. I don't believe they will make much out of the printing matter itself;—indeed if there had been much chance of stumbling on any ugly things in that direction, it is doubtful whether a Committee would have been appointed. But there is a little matter of Pacific Railroad engraving of last Congress that will bear looking into. Mr. ORR had the information in his hands last Winter upon which in the beginning he expected to prove a corrupt swindle of some $15,000; but although the witnesses were before the Committee, he made even less effort to get at the corruption then than he did to dive to the bottom of the Minnesota Land bill puddle—not asking them even a single question on the subject. Mr. ORR at one time showed me his memorandum in relation to the matter, and manifested a good deal of virtuous delight at the prospect of exposing what he believed then to be a piece of gross rascality. I refer the Committee to him for particulars.

Messrs. STEWART & BOURCICAULT are progressing rapidly with the work of fitting up their Theatre here, and will probably be ready to open on or before New-Year's day. Our amusement-loving public are looking forward to this event with much impatience.

Miss JULIA MAY gave another concert here to-night to a well-filled house, and an enthusiastic audience. She is about to start on a Southern professional tour. S.

Sea and Ship News.

By letter to Ellwood Walter, Esq.

BALTIMORE, Wednesday, Dec. 23.—The schooner *Mary Adeline*, with 90 tons soda, and schooner *Home*, with 90 tons soda and tin, have arrived from the ship *Washington Booth*, the latter having left the ship last night, and reports that everything was going on very well, and that they expected to get the ship off this morning. The cargo received is in good order.

SOUND STEAMERS.—The *Commonwealth* still continues on the route to Boston *via* Norwich and Worcester, and will run until the heavy ice obstructs navigation. The resumption of operations by many of the manufactories at Lawrence, Lowell, and other places have imparted considerable activity to the business of this line, and they are now carrying large quantities of freight, as well as the average number of passengers.

The freight business upon the Stonington and Fall River routes has also improved. The *Commodore* has taken the place of the *Plymouth Rock* to Stonington, and the *State of Maine* now runs to Fall River in the place of the *Metropolis*.

WRECKS ON LONG ISLAND.—The bark *Milford* was carried off the outer bar, where she first struck, and driven up on the main beach by the last easterly blow; she is full of water.

The schooner *John L. Schriver*, ashore opposite Southampton with 200 tons of coal, has had her decks broken in by the sea, and her masts are gone. She also is a total wreck. She was built at Wilmington, Del., in December, 1851; was 192 tons register, and owned by Mr. MILLER and others of Philadelphia.

CANADIAN ELECTIONS.—Mr. ISAAC BUCHANAN, the Parliamentary candidate who raised a hornet's nest about his ears by the expression of his belief that the American form of Government is best suited to the latitude of Canada, has distanced his competitors, and is returned from Hamilton by a majority of over three hundred. Mr. BUCHANAN's backers are jubilant, and the opposition yield with a very bad grace. The contest elsewhere in the Province is animated.

Democratic Rally at Tammany Hall.

Indorsement of the President's Message.

Speeches of Hon. John Van Buren, Hon. Richard Busteed, General Hiram Walbridge, &c.

SENATOR DOUGLAS' POSITION REVIEWED.

Disturbance by the Wood Party.

Tammany Hall was well filled last night, in response to a regular call of the General Committee of the Democratic Party, "for the purpose of declaring the sentiments of the Democracy of the City, relative to national politics, and reiterating the expression of their confidence in and support of the policy and administration of JAMES BUCHANAN." The Rynders gun bellowed in the Park; rockets and Roman candles were discharged from the Tammany balcony; a calcium light cast its glare across the Park to Broadway, and a band went the round of all the popular street airs. A crowd besieged the building long before the hour of opening the door of the great room, and when the lock was turned, and free ingress was allowed, the room was quickly filled. It was speedily evident, however, that it was not filled with a harmonious party. While the noise of various bands, heading torch-light processions of clubs from different Wards, as they arrived in front of the Hall, almost drowned the voices of the speakers within, ISAAC BELL, Jr., was nominated to the Chair, and made a few remarks that were totally inaudible. Marshal RYNDERS then read a very long list of Vice-Presidents, and was followed by Mr. FENNO, who read the list of Secretaries, after which the Chairman announced that letters had been received from several gentlemen, including Senator JONES, of Iowa; Senator GREEN, of Missouri; Hon. AMASA J. PARKER, and Hon. DANIEL E. SICKLES. The letters were not read to the meeting, but copies were given to the press.

The mention of SICKLES' name was the signal for the commencement of hostilities. Loud groans were raised followed by deafening hooting. The friends of the honorable gentleman undertook to sustain him with their cheers. This aroused the ire of his enemies, who hooted and groaned louder than ever. Mr. WILLIAM BROWNE came forward to read the resolutions. For some time he could not proceed. Cheers were given for FERNANDO WOOD. Loud cries were raised for him to appear and address the meeting. Three groans were given for "the traitors," and three cheers for JNO. KELLY. At length Mr. BROWNE obtained a hearing for the resolutions, which were loudly applauded, when some disturbing wight demanded, in stentorian voice, that FERNANDO WOOD's name should be added to the list of Vice-Presidents. The tumult was instantly renewed. The mass began to move to and fro, like agitated billows. Everything looked threatening and dire. Marshal RYNDERS raised his voice and told the [illegible] national questions, and that civic differences were out of place. "Put the traitors out," again shouted the agitators.

"I would advise you to behave yourselves," cried Marshal RYNDERS.

A VOICE—You behave yourself, or we'll take care of you. Who the d—l cares for you?

Two or three hundred voices here cried for "WOOD" to come forward and speak. It is needless to say that the Mayor was not present. "WOOD," they cried, tumultuously—and a free fight began. On all sides men were knocking down the next man to them. Whether he was a Wood or anti-Wood, a Sickles or anti-Sickles man, could not be ascertained. Similar scenes are not uncommon at Tammany, but rarely has Tammany seen such a scene as this.

The resolutions read by Mr. BROWN were numerous and weighty. The first was as follows:

Resolved, That our confidence in the firmness, integrity and statesmanship of JAMES BUCHANAN has steadily increased with the progress of his administration; that looking to his recent Message to Congress as the exposition of the principles upon which he proposes to administer the Government, we desire to express our cordial and unqualified approval of the principles therein enunciated, and tender to him anew the assurance of our continued and increasing confidence; and, in view of the important issue presented to the country by his Kansas policy, we are gratified to find in his message the evidence of his wise purpose to recognise the action of the Constitutional Convention of Kansas, recently assembled at Lecompton, and to sustain the application soon to be made for her admission into the Union as a State, with or without Slavery, as her *bona fide* inhabitants shall decide for themselves at the election held on the 21st instant, as provided for by said Convention, thus recognizing and inforcing the great doctrine upon which the Democracy of the whole Union has stood throughout this long and angry controversy—that the people of each State and Territory shall decide the question of Slavery for themselves and in their own way.

In the other resolutions the attention of Congress was invoked to the consideration of the causes which have produced the recent disastrous revulsion in trade and commerce, and to guard the country from similar calamities in the future. The views of the President in his Message with reference to the relations of this country with foreign States were heartily indorsed. And in relation to the recent suspension of the Banks through an over-issue of bank paper, the following resolution was read:

Resolved, That the Legislature of this State ought to prohibit by law, within the limits of the State, the circulation of all Bank notes of a lower denomination than five dollars, after a reasonable time from the passage of such act of prohibition; all notes of a lower denomination than ten dollars at the 1st of January, 1859, and all notes of a lower denomination than twenty dollars after the 1st of January, 1860, and that the Democracy of the State be invited to coöperate in carrying out this essential measure of reform in the currency.

All the resolutions were adopted unanimously, notwithstanding the tumult that continued to prevail.

The Chairman introduced as the first speaker, Hon. JOHN VAN BUREN, whose appearance, however, did not serve to allay the tumult. He said that he came among his Democratic friends to respond to the first Message of JAMES BUCHANAN, and he would propose three cheers for BUCHANAN. The cheers were immediately given with a hearty will, but so far from the turbulence of the malcontents being allayed, the noise became greater than ever. Mr. VAN BUREN raised his voice to its utmost capacity. It was surprising, he said, that in view of the excellence of JAMES BUCHANAN's Administration, and the eminent satisfaction it had given the country, a meeting should be called by his friend, that emissaries of his opponents should be allowed to intrude upon and try to break up. The Democrats of New-York would with one heart sustain the President, notwithstanding the factious attempts of their designing or mistaken antagonists, who arrogated to themselves the exclusive charge of the President of the United States. We had a right to speak upon this point, because he had been invited to the meeting in the Park and stood out in the rain like the rest of them; and now that he stood inside, he claimed the right to address them. He asked them to go back a little and ascertain what they had been doing in regard to the Presidency of the United States. They supposed they had elected a patriot and a statesman—[A VOICE—"No doubt of it."]—and that they had elected him upon principles that they understood, and that he had proved true to those principles since he filled the Presidential office. But they had been told this morning, by the *Courier*, that he had violated every pledge that brought him into power, that he had been basely dishonest to the people who elected him, that he had proved recreant to his high trust; and they had met to-night to defend him against his assailants, whether they appeared through the press or came into Tammany Hall to break up the meeting. [Cheers.] An assault upon JAMES BUCHANAN was an assault upon the Democratic Party. [Cries of "Bravo!"] He was its chosen head, and it was impossible to assail him without striking at the party of which he was in command. Therefore, when an assault was made upon him, it became the duty of every true Democrat in the country to rally to his rescue and defence. [Cheers.] He (Mr. VAN BUREN) would ask them to go back a moment and see what foundation there was for this assault, and whether there was anything which justified any Democrat who had voted for JAMES BUCHANAN, in withdrawing his confidence from him now. They were all aware that great dissensions had existed in the United States upon the subject of Slavery; that at the South they supposed it an excellent relation, whilst at the North they might entertain a different impression, and that that had led to painful feelings between the two sections of the United States. In 1850 a Compromise was hit upon by which the people of each section were allowed to entertain their own views, but they were to leave the people of the new Territories to determine for themselves whether they would have Slavery or whether they would not. This was assented to by the whole Democracy of the Union, and was supposed to have quieted this disturbance upon the subject of Slavery, which did no good to the slave and promised great evil to the whole country. In 1854 the question arose in regard to the organization of Kansas and Nebraska. It was found upon applying the non-intervention principle to these Territories that there was already a Congressional prohibition, and the inquiry was, shall that prohibition be repealed in order to give full and fair effect to the non-intervention principle, or shall it not? The friends of the Nebraska bill thought it ought to be repealed, and it was repealed, and the people in Kansas were left, or were intended to be left, entirely free to determine for themselves whether they would have Slavery or not. He did not sustain that bill, but when it became a law, he was opposed to its repeal. They proceeded for some two years after the passage of the bill. Frequent complaints were made that persons from abroad went into Kansas and interfered with the action of the people. The Democratic Party assembled at Cincinnati, having before them the Kansas and Nebraska bill and the difficulties that had grown out of interference from abroad, and they resolved that the same principle should be applied to all future territories, and that hereafter, when a State was ready to form a Constitution, it should determine for itself by the votes of its *bona fide* inhabitants, whether it would have Slavery or not. That was the Cincinnati platform. They went into the election. JAMES BUCHANAN stood upon that platform. He was elected upon it. And in his Inaugural Address, in the judgment of the whole country, he fairly redeemed all the pledges he had made; which were, first, that the principle of non-interference in the affairs of the Territory should be carried out, and next, that it was the duty of the General Government to protect the voter of Kansas in the exercise of his elective suffrage at every legal popular election that was held in the Territory. [Cheers.] Upon this platform, ROBERT J. WALKER was sent out as Governor of Kansas; and remained there until he chose to resign. He (Mr. VAN BUREN) asked whether in the whole course of Governor WALKER's Administration there was anything of which they had a right to complain? Did he not fairly discharge his duty? Did he not fairly determine cases that were submitted to him in regard to returns of elections claimed to be spurious and fraudulent. Did he not go further than even a strict respect for the doctrine of non-intervention might perhaps justify, when he declared that Kansas ought not to have Slavery in its Constitution, and should be admitted into the Union in that form? The Southern gentlemen thought he went beyond the principle of non-intervention, and insisted that President BUCHANAN should remove him. But President BUCHANAN declined to remove him. On the contrary, from his annual message, it is fairly to be inferred that he justified the action of Governor WALKER in Kansas, and, so far as we were able to see, was prepared to nominate him to the Senate if he had not declined. Now, he would ask the people who complained of Mr. BUCHANAN in the Free States, whether he (Mr. BUCHANAN) had not fairly lived up as far as they could see, to the platform of the party and the pledges which called him into power, up to the time of his annual message? There was then no cause of complaint against him up to that time. Now, what was there in the annual message that had excited this discussion? President BUCHANAN said that, upon his construction of the Nebraska bill and Cincinnati Platform, the Convention that met in Kansas to frame the Constitution, were bound to submit to a direct popular vote the question whether Kansas should, or should not, have Slavery as one of its domestic institutions. In that respect he differed diametrically with the South—with the letter of Senator HUNTER, and with Mr. JEFFERSON DAVIS, they claiming that the Convention had in itself absolute power to dispose of this question. Mr. BUCHANAN said the understanding was that that should not be disposed of by the Convention, but by a direct vote of the people, and when that should be done, he said there was not, either in the residue of the Constitution or in the fact of their question to submit it to the popular vote, anything that would authorize Congress to reject it. He said he expected and hoped they would have submitted the whole; that that would have been the proper course, and that it should be pursued in every similar case hereafter; but the bill being silent on that, there was nothing but the general understanding that that question should be submitted that required the Convention to submit even the question of Slavery to the people. He said, if you let this people form a Constitution and let them come into the Union, they will then be in a position where they can determine for themselves what their institutions shall be, and every five days in the week, as they undoubtedly may, and determine them without disturbing the other thirty-one States of the Confederacy. Now he (Mr. VAN BUREN) would say that this was wise, that it was just, that it was statesmanlike. And no matter what may have been the opinion of the man in regard to the propriety of submitting the whole Constitution to the people, it did not authorize any man, and least of all a Democrat, to excite this fury and torrent of calumny and abuse against JAMES BUCHANAN which was so unrestrainedly poured out upon him. He (Mr. VAN B.) had not one unkind word to say of Senator DOUGLAS. He respected and admired his ability. He respected his statement that he had not joined the Republicans. But he presumed the Senator would not deny that the Republicans had joined him, and that was all he would say of him. [Laughter.] In this respect he did not speak entirely without book. To say he had read in the New-York *Tribune*, under date the 16th December, 1857, this extraordinary statement: "Our last Washington advices report a full and frank conference between Senator DOUGLAS and leading Republicans, on the latest aspects of Kansas affairs." "A full conference between Senator DOUGLAS and the leading Republicans on the Kansas affairs." You and I, said the speaker, never had a conference with Republicans on any affair, least of all on this, which is so important to the Democratic Party. [Cries of "Never."] But one word further. The *Tribune* says: "The results were mutually satisfactory." [Laughter.] The result of the conference between Senator DOUGLAS and the leading Republicans were mutually satisfactory. Whatever conferences we may have had with them, we certainly never had one that was satisfactory to us. I trust Senator DOUGLAS will avail himself of an early opportunity to set himself right in regard to the correctness of that statement. Mr. VAN BUREN proceeded to consider the objections urged by the people of Kansas against voting on the election on the 21st of September. While regretting exceedingly that they must vote for the Constitution before they could vote either way on the subject of Slavery, he could not regard that as an objection that would have prevented him, as a citizen of Kansas, from voting last Monday upon the question that was submitted. When those objections were presented in Congress he had no doubt they would command a respectful attention from the members of Congress, as he was quite sure they would from the President of the United States; but beyond this there was nothing to justify the rousing of this din and clamor against the President of the United States, for the wise and most seasonable suggestions he had made in regard to this subject, taking it on the day of the date of his message, and with all the light and information that was then vouchsafed to him. The only question that concerned us as regards Kansas was the question of Slavery, because when the discussion of that question was taken from Congress to Kansas itself the result in the 31 other States would be to reduce them to that condition of tranquillity and peace which Mr. BUCHANAN had pledged himself to restore and which was so essential to the prosperity of the whole country. In regard to the doctrine of non-intervention by Congress with the question of Slavery in the Territories, he (Mr. VAN BUREN) would call attention to an admirable letter of Senator DOUGLAS written when he was a candidate this last time for Senator of the United States, in which he said:

To rally a party which might be able to maintain the Union upon constitutional principles, was an object of high political importance, and justified some sacrifices of feeling, and even of interest. Accordingly, the bill was not such as would have been framed by the delegates of either section, if it had been submitted to them alone. Many, perhaps most of that Southern men, (of whom I was one) believed the property in slaves was as much entitled to the protection of law in the Territories of the United States as property in anything else; but while the Northern friends of the Kansas act would not concede this, they agreed to unite in repealing the Missouri restriction, so as to remove the ban under which the domestic institutions of the South had been placed by Federal legislation.

Accordingly a bill was passed upon the principle of non-intervention in regard to Slavery so far as the General Government was concerned, and which left that whole subject within the control of the people of these territories, when they should apply for admission as States. This, although not all that we thought the South entitled to, was a great advance upon the old order of things so far as she was concerned, because it removed an unjust and odious discrimination against her domestic institutions from the statute book. A moral triumph which was of vast importance to the South and to the institution of Slavery itself. Nor could the North object to a bill which merely carried out a principle by which it had recently gained so largely in the series of acts denominated as the Compromise Measures. To all it ought to have been a subject of congratulation that a common ground had been found where a party might be rallied from all sections of the country to administer the Government justly, and without sacrificing the constitutional rights of any portion of the Union. Mr. VAN BUREN proceeded to discuss the question of popular sovereignty, or squatter sovereignty, which Senator DOUGLAS and others had judged to be violated by not submitting the constitution to the people of the Territory. He (Mr. VAN B.) had gone carefully through the Nebraska bill and the Cincinnati platform and he could not find one word about

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NEW BOOKS.

Somebody used to give thanks to the Almighty that in His infinite goodness He had inspired some men with the Spirit of dictionary-making," and many a scholar has since had occasion to echo the thought if not to repeat the speech. As the circle of the sciences widens, and the researches of those who give their lives to knowledge are further advanced upon the vast realm of the "knowable," dictionaries grow in importance, and cyclopedias become more and more indispensable to all classes of intellectual workers. At the same time the difficulty of making a dictionary and of compiling a cyclopedia, increase in an equal ratio; and the lexicographers of the world deserve an increasing reward of gratitude from mankind.

The Messrs. Appleton, of this City, have therefore done good service to their country in undertaking their *New American Cyclopedia, a Popular Dictionary of General Knowledge*, Edited by Charles A. Dana and George Ripley.

The first volume of this important work, which is in more respects really a "new" compilation of new matter, has just been issued. It contains 752 pages, and very handsome pages, well and clearly printed in double columns of excellent type, and in a bold, ample form which pleases without trying the eye. Physically, this publication is a great improvement upon the old American Cyclopedia, while the fullness and general thoroughness with which the subjects treated of are handled, give it a decided advantage over any Cyclopedia of its class that has been issued on either side of the Atlantic.

The work is to be completed in fifteen volumes which are to be offered at the extremely reasonable rate of two dollars a volume. The first is brought down to the subject "Araguay," and covers a very extensive field of information on all possible subjects. Nearly a hundred writers have contributed to this volume alone, under the direction of the careful and able editors to whom the work has been very judiciously confided. Upon the departments of natural science and cotemporaneous biography, particular pains have evidently been bestowed, with a result which confers upon the Cyclopedia a peculiarly American character of practical and immediate utility. The articles "Anthracite," "Alloy," "Anatomy," and "Advertisements"—the biographies of the Adams family, and the brief paper on "Americanisms," are instances illustrative of this quality of the work. We have stumbled in our necessarily rapid examination upon very few apparent omissions or inaccuracies, but under the head of "Americanisms" the writer has neglected to give the local origin of the phrase "log-rolling," and under the head of "Adventurers" a great piece of injustice has been done to the Rajah Sir James Brooke of Sarawak, who is classified in a clever but rather antithetical disquisition on the subject with men like Hudson the railway king, Lopez the revolutionist, and Walker the filibuster. This is a kind of error which should be particularly guarded against by editorial supervision, nor do we doubt that Messrs. Dana & Ripley, who have executed their very laborious task with so much spirit, good sense and judgment, will persevere in the improvement of the materials submitted to them till they shall have made their Cyclopedia what it already promises to be, the most complete treasury of miscellaneous knowledge accessible to the people of this country.

Some philosopher, whose name we cannot now recall, nor would if we could, since he either was or ought to have been a German, used to say that he "disliked oratory, because it interfered with his free will." For precisely the same reason, we presume, most men, not being philosophers, enjoy oratory, and among all men none more heartily than Americans. Our Western Athenians delight in nothing so much as the hearing and the reading of speeches, and the flocks of winged words that are yearly let loose upon our skies are only to be paralleled by the clouds of wild pigeons that annually darken the prairies of the West. A book on the *Golden Age of American Oratory* ought therefore, to be a popular book, for it treats of the one art which the people recognize and of the great artists whom they love. Mr. Edward G. Parker evidently does not care a sixpence for his free will, but is ready at all times and in all places to be magnetized, electrified, carried away and generally disposed of by any charmer charming wisely with the wand of speech. His book is one long poem in praise of eloquence, upon which he dotes as Sir Philip Sidney doted upon poetry; and the evident sincerity of his passion moves us to deal more tenderly than we otherwise might be inclined to do with the occasional extravagance of his epithets and his general luxuriousness of laudation.

The *Golden Age of American Oratory* stretches, according to Mr. Parker, from 1757 to the present time, but has specific appreciations of particular orators, beginning with a paper on Henry Clay, (which was published originally in *Putnam's Magazine*, and deservedly liked by the public of that now extinct but always estimable periodical,) and end with a notice of Wendell Phillips. Congress, the Bar and the Platform constitute the three great divisions of American eloquence, the pulpit being comprised under the last head; and Mr. Parker brings before his readers in brilliant succession Clay, Webster and Fisher Ames as Congressional speakers; Pinckney and Choate as advocates; Everett, Chapin, Beecher and Phillips as Areopagites, representatives of that multitude talking *de omnibus rebus et quibusdam aliis*, whereby the political and social machinery of this country is kept perpetually in action.

About all these names Mr. Parker weaves a gay and many-colored web of criticism, admiration, description, suggestion, comparison, inference and declamation. He shows the partialities of a Massachusetts man for his household gods, but it is no slight argument of his intrinsic common sense and manliness of character, that while he indulges himself in the usual Titanic rhodomontade about Mr. Webster, he should also do justice to the subtler and acuter qualities of such a man as Rufus Choate, and to the nobility and energy of Wendell Phillips. In fact he shows no lack throughout his book of the qualities which he most affects in his favorites, and if he has not convinced us that the Chrysostoms of his choice really deserve all the celestial robes with which he has invested them, he has at least satisfied us that he needs only to chastise his evident concern about verbal daintinesses, and to abandon his evident effort after verbal effects, to become himself a useful as well as a conspicuous speaker. Let him throw phrases to the dogs, and think more of his thoughts than of his rhetoric—remember Mr. Webster without troubling the repose of the Emperor Hadrian, and praise Rev. Mr. Chapin without comparing him to St. Paul,—and he may depend upon it that his books and his speeches will be very much the better for the change. A particular value of Mr. Parker's present publication consists in the biographical incidents and illustrative remarks with which he has enlivened his disquisitions from the store of his personal recollections of intercourse with the cotemporaneous subjects of his study.

The fifth volume of Colonel Benton's *Abridgment of the Debates of Congress*, has just been published by the Appletons. It brings the record down to the close of the session of Congress in 1818. It is impossible to exaggerate the value and importance of such a work as this, or to commend too warmly the manner in which the labor of preparing it has been performed. The debates of Congress furnish a much more perfect and complete history of the country, so far as its political and public movements are concerned, than can possibly be found elsewhere, and this compilation brings those debates within reach of the public at large. The volumes are very elegantly printed, in double columns, and each contains a copious index, which renders easy reference to any special subject. The work is one of permanent and constantly-increasing value, and we cannot doubt that the enterprise of the publishers, in entering upon so formidable and expensive a publication, will be abundantly rewarded.

It is a remarkable coincidence in publishing that the *Life and Times of Aaron Burr*, the *Life of Alexander Hamilton*, and the *Life of Thomas Jefferson*, should all have appeared simultaneously. The last of these important works, the *Life of Thomas Jefferson*, by Henry S. Randall, LL.D., is published by Derby & Jackson, the first volume only being presented to the public now, but the two concluding ones, we understand, will very soon follow. The first volume brings the history of Jefferson's life down to the year 1791. Mr. Randall has undertaken his task apparently with the zeal of a devotee, and the spirit of a partisan, and the result of his earnest labors will be a full and exhaustive biography, such as has long been needed, of the political father of his country. Jefferson was an apostle, and though his claims to be regarded as one have been furiously disputed, and no possible term of vilification has been withheld in the attempt to destroy his power over the popular mind, yet he has not only maintained his place but risen constantly in the esteem of the people. From reading his biography may be learned the secret of his mastery over the popular mind, and why it was that, "without an effort on his part," expressions from his lips, that from other men's would scarcely have attracted notice, became thenceforth axioms, creeds, and gathering cries to the great majority of his countrymen, and made him an apostle and a leader. Yet Jefferson was no orator; like the great rivals whom he so readily overcame, he did not possess the power of addressing popular assemblages. Mr. Randall has had the hearty and valuable assistance of all of Jefferson's descendants in collecting every fact that could illustrate the life of the great man, and his own industry, we may be sure, has left nothing undiscovered that the archives of the country could furnish.

Another "Nothing." We supposed the whole tribe of Nothings, which were so suddenly brought into existence by *Nothing to Wear*, had come to an end. But we have another in the same vein, though not so much of a parody as its predecessors, entitled *Nothing to You*. *Nothing to You* is published by Wiley & Halsted, and illustrated with wood cuts from drawings by J. R. Howard. The illustrations are very cleverly done, and show more invention than the text. This lively little *jeu d'esprit* professes to be "an answer to 'Nothings' in general, and to *Nothing to Wear* in particular, by Knot-Rab." The verse is irregular, but modulated after the original "*Nothing*." It contains some clever hits, and its moral is that both Floras and Harrys are better than they seem to be, and would do better if they would attend to their own business, and not be so zealous in finding out and exposing each other's infirmities. The original "Nothing" has had more parodies, and achieved a greater success than any other American poem, not excepting even *Hiawatha*. Not the least remarkable event connected with *Nothing to Wear* was the dispute about its authorship, and we believe that the friends of the young lady who claimed to have written the first and concluding lines of the poem still believe in her story, and as a vindication of her pretensions a poem by her is shortly to be published in book form.

The Rochester Tragedy.

The murder of Charles W. Littles at Rochester, on Saturday last, is in all respects one of the most remarkable cases of crime on record. The assassination of Dr. Burdell had enough of mystery about it to satisfy the abnormal longings of the most morbid fancy; but this tragedy, both in its results and antecedents, possesses features totally unlike that of any murderous transaction we have had to record. The evidence elicited at the Inquest is mainly circumstantial, so far as concerns the method of the murder and identification of the guilty parties: but the family history, as developed by the mother and children themselves, is abominable. The circumstances are briefly as follows:

Charles W. Littles, a lawyer by profession, went to Rochester from the town of Dansville, in this State, some five years since. He entered the law office of Hyde & Mudge, and in 1855 was admitted to practice in the Courts of Monroe County. In connection with the junior partner of the firm, he was presently engaged in the prosecution of pension claims, and held a fair rank at the Bar. During the last year Mr. Littles was attached to the law office of Mr. Henry Hunter, where he remained up to the time of his death. On the 20th of March, 1855, he was married to Sarah Stout, the eldest daughter of a family who some years since removed to Rochester from Pennsylvania. The father is a shoemaker, now fifty years of age; but his wife, Margaret Stout, testified at the inquest on the body of Littles, that she did not know whether he was dead or alive; she supposed he was in Pennsylvania, but had neither seen him nor heard from him since June last. Besides the daughter Sarah, (Mrs. Littles,) there are four other children—two sons, Ira, aged 22, and Eli, aged 25, and a small boy and girl. Ira is one of the parties charged with this murder. According to his mother's testimony, he has served a term of four years and six months in State Prison in Pennsylvania. The mother declares her entire ignorance of the offence which incurred this penalty, and Ira refuses any information. While the son was in State Prison, the mother resided in Oswego in this State, separated from her husband.

In his testimony before the Coroner Ira positively refused to say whether he had or had not been in State Prison; "most decidedly declining" to answer the question, and declaring that "it was no one's business." The mother, however, entertained no scruples, but told the whole story in a straightforward way. Upon the liberation of Ira, the whole family appear to have been once more united, and removed their residence to Rochester, where they settled down among strangers, and held an apparently respectable position. It was here that the intimacy of Littles with the family began; resulting in his marriage with Sarah, then a girl of 17 or 18 years. This marriage, however, appears to have been very unhappy. The wife charges the worst species of conjugal infidelity upon her husband, and assigns this as a reason for the separation which occurred some five or six months since. She returned to her mother's house, and Littles, at different times, vainly endeavored to persuade her to live with him again. Latterly, Littles' visits to his wife have been more frequent; and on one occasion, recently, he remained at Mrs. Stout's house during the night. Mrs. Littles testifies that the first difficulty between her and her husband occurred about two years ago. She discovered that he was in the habit of consorting with other women, and had contracted a loathsome disease. Not only this but, according to her testimony, he boasted of his amours, frequently informed his wife of the progress he made, and, moreover, *entered in his diary* a record of his intrigues with *a woman of easy virtue*, to whom he gave the *soubriquet* of "Lola Montez." After discovering this written declaration of infidelity, Mrs. Littles positively refused to live with him longer. When she had been a resident in her mother's house for two months, Littles went to her brother Eli, made confession and promised reformation, with tears and protestations of repentance. Mrs. Littles consented, as she says, to give him another trial, and went back; but the same scenes were renewed; he again became ill from the effects of debauchery, and she again left him; and since that time—now about six months—has refused to return. As already stated, however, Littles did not cease his visits to her.

On the morning of Sunday last, the body of Littles, horribly mutilated, was found in the Genesee River, below the Falls, exactly opposite the north line of Falls Field. The water in which it lay was shallow, and the action of the current had thrown it towards the shore. Had it been thrown five rods further down, the stream, which there becomes deeper and more rapid, would have carried it away; and such was undoubtedly the intention of the murderers. The authorities having been informed of the discovery of the remains, an immediate search for traces of the deed was commenced, which resulted in conclusive proof of the commission of the murder at a point near the "Marburger Brewery," an elevated spot, distant about one hundred feet from the place where the body was found. On this spot, five rods from the brink of a precipice, a large pool of blood was found. Ten or twelve feet further towards the brink, was another pool. The inference is that the murdered man must have remained in each of these places for a considerable time—probably *engaged in a desperate death-struggle*. Close upon the edge of the bank was another trace of blood, with evidences of a dreadful contest. Marks of blood were also found on the side of the bank, down which the body must have been rolled after the accomplishment of the deed. At the spot which bore traces of the foul struggle, a number of articles of apparel were found. Among them were a piece of a victorine and a rosette cut in black velvet; both of which *correspond to parts of Mrs. Littles' wardrobe*. A pair of spectacles was also found; and the arm of a common office-chair was picked up near the same place. From the level of the spot where these articles were found, to the place upon which the body apparently struck when it was thrown over, is a distance of twenty-five or thirty feet. Thence, in a straight line to the water the distance is one hundred feet, over rocks, brush and rough ground, and down a steep bank. Along this descent the bloody track is plain. The wounds upon the body were of the most frightful character. Over the nose and eyes were three deep and regular cuts, seemingly inflicted by a pair of iron "knuckles." On the side and back of the head there were wounds of a similar character. A piece of skull was found imbedded in the gravel. The body was lacerated by the descent down the stony bank. A dirk, which had not been drawn, was upon the person. The murdered man's gold watch and his money were left unmolested; proving that robbery could not have been the object of the assassins.

Suspicion pointing to the wife of Littles, and other members of her family, a party of police officers at once proceeded to their residence, No. 75 Monroe-street, and arrested all of them, seven in number. They were taken to the police-office, and placed in separate apartments, while the premises in Monroe-street underwent a thorough search. The result of this investigation was the discovery of a number of bloody garments, and among them *a woman's skirt, torn and just washed but still bearing stains like that of blood.* These articles were secured, and taken to the Police-office, and a Coroner's inquest was immediately impanneled. The most remarkable link of the evidence however, was now discovered. Upon examining the prisoners, it was found that *the left wrist of Mrs. Littles, and the left arm of Ira Stout, were broken!* The inference that both these parties had been recently engaged in some affair of an extraordinary nature, became irresistible. They, and all the rest of the family, were at once summoned before the Coroner. Mrs. Littles was first sworn. She gave a detailed account of her difficulties with her husband, substantially as we have already related; but positively denied all knowledge of the murder. In the course of her examination, she admitted (her brother Ira corroborating her testimony) that she left her mother's house at 6¾ o'clock on Friday night to go to the house of a dressmaker named Mary Farrel, on State-street; that on her return she met Ira Stout, at 8 o'clock, on the corner of Buffalo and State streets, but did not expect to meet him; that they went towards home together; that he stopped for a moment to point out to her the residence of a friend of his; that he then ran on, and she ran to overtake him; and that about this time *she fell in the street*, and as she supposed, sprained her wrist; she says she did not know it was broken; and *that her brother fell before she did*, but did not know till 9½ o'clock that evening, that he had broken his arm. After that hour, medical assistance was procured. She declares that her dress was torn by her fall, and that she sat up that night because her brother was hurt, and because she "*expected* Mr. Littles *in every moment.*"

At this stage of the testimony, she was desired to explain the presence of *a number of burrs in her hair*, which appeared when her bonnet was removed. The burrs were those of the common dock. She could not tell how they came there, but supposed they got in when she fell, or that the children in her house had placed them there. A furrier, John Meng, was now called in, and was desired to compare the piece of victorine found near the scene of the murder with the one which Mrs. Littles wore. Mr. Meng swore that the piece "*matched as closely as one piece in a thousand could match;*" the fur was a Russia Squirrel-tail, made in short joints, and *the cord upon which the sections were strung was broken.* The Coroner ordered a medical examination of Mrs. Littles, for the purpose of ascertaining whether she bore any marks of personal violence, as if she had been engaged in a conflict; but, under the advice of her counsel, she refused to permit the examination.

The young man, Ira Stout, (the other party suspected of the murder,) was then placed on the stand. He declared that he was always on friendly terms with Littles, and never had a difficulty of any kind with him; had often heard him boast of his female alliances, and knew that he and his wife were not friendly. Ira substantiated his sister's testimony as to the meeting with her in the evening, and their fall in the street. He lost a pair of spectacles at that time, but picked up the frames; the glasses were broken; he declared that the pair found at the place of the murder were not his. Of Littles' character he had nothing good to say. He had heard men threaten violence to Littles if they ever caught him throwing vitriol upon their dress or that of ladies in their company; and swore that "Littles carried a bottle of blue vitriol and several stones," which he would throw at persons passing along the streets. He added, further, that Littles was jealous of a man named Patterson, who did not visit his wife at her mother's house, but with whom she twice went out to ride.

Margaret Stout, the mother, denied, in her evidence, that the articles of clothing found had belonged to her daughter Sarah; but admitted that some *bloody clothing was washed* in their house on Friday—but none on Saturday. How these stains of blood were caused, she did not say.

The testimony of several citizens of Rochester went to show that sounds of a quarrel were heard on Saturday night, about 11 o'clock, near the spot where the murder is supposed to have taken place; and that such noises were frequently heard there, occasioned by the fighting of the brewery-men; but one witness, Mr. Isaac F. Mason, while passing near Falls Field, on Saturday night, heard the cry of "Murder!" three times repeated, in a man's voice—the last time that cry was heard it was choked, and only half the word—"Mur——" was uttered. [This recalls a similar story in the Burdell affair.] This witness afterwards saw two men move off, accompanied by a small boy, but supposed they were going to fight it out in a more quiet place, and so did not follow.

There is no other evidence of moment. The Inquest ended yesterday, and both Mrs. Littles and her brother Ira are held to answer to the charge of murder. The case now passes to the Grand Jury of Monroe County.

The mysterious circumstances of this tragedy invest it with peculiar interest. The cause of Littles' visit to an unfrequented and desolate spot, of perilous ascent, and at the hour of midnight, remains to be explained. The complicity of his wife and brother-in-law in the murderous assault seems to be indicated by a train of circumstantial evidence which is astonishingly complete—yet which, after all, may prove wholly unfounded. The facts proved, however, furnish strong evidence against them. Mrs. Littles and Ira Stout both acknowledge that they were out on Friday night—that both sustained injuries, and nearly at the same time. Each fractured a limb; and yet both declare that they were ignorant of the extent of their injury until long afterwards. A fragment of a fur victorine is pronounced by an experienced furrier to be a perfect match for a defective one worn by Mrs. Littles. Burrs are found in the woman's hair precisely like those which grow along the bank at the scene of the murder, and she professes herself unable to explain their presence. The young man has been a criminal, and is but lately from State Prison. The mother acknowledges that bloody clothes were washed in her house;—only denying that they were washed *after* the day of the murder. Witnesses heard the cry of "Murder," and the sound of a quarrel. The body of the victim was not robbed; so that some other cause must be assigned for the commission of the deed. There was bitter enmity on the part of his wife towards him—and he was at her house on the preceding night. Taken in all its aspects, the chain of circumstantial evidence is wonderfully strong and complete—a foul murder is committed, and motive is proved. Yet recent events caution us to be chary in fixing the stain of such guilt upon parties against whom nothing better than circumstantial testimony can be produced.

NEW-YORK CITY

Police Commissioners.

The Police Commissioners met, on Tuesday, at their office, Broome-street, Mayor Wood alone being absent.

The minutes of the last meeting having been read and confirmed,

Mr. Bowen stated that he had written to their counsel, Messrs. Brown, Hall & Vanderpoel, asking their opinion as to the power of the Commissioners to appropriate the fines and penalties collected from policemen to the Police Contingent Fund, but as yet had not received a reply.

The following communication was read from the Grand Jury of Brooklyn, complaining of two officers having received $15 for not appearing against a party charged with assault.

City Hall, Brooklyn, Friday, Dec. 18, 1857.
Grand Jury Room of the Grand Inquest of the November Term of the Court of Sessions in and for the County of Kings.

On motion, it was resolved that a copy of the testimony against police-officers Corwin and Boyd for accepting money from Andrew Goodwin, charged with assault and battery, be transmitted to the Metropolitan Police Commissioners, attested by the Foreman and Clerk, the Grand Inquest, being of opinion that the conduct of said officers in the case proves them unworthy of being continued in the force.

Mr. Stranahan considered that complaints against officers were altogether too numerous, and if they were to devote time to going through all the evidence brought forward, they would have very little left, indeed, to transact more important matters. Their time might be better employed.

The matter was referred to the Committee on Discipline.

Mr. Perit thought that the Superintendent should call the attention of the men to their line of conduct, and to a proper idea of their position and duties. It created a very unpleasant impression in the public mind to see men idling, smoking, hiding, &c., and he was of opinion if the men were cautioned, and informed that such derelictions of duty would be severely punished, it might tend to improve matters.

Mr. Bowen informed the Board that the General Superintendent was at present engaged in visiting the different Station-houses, and addressing the men, enjoining them to a strict adherence to the rules laid down for their guidance, and he hoped it would have a beneficial effect.

Mr. Cholwell moved that several iron bedsteads now at one of the Station-houses, be repainted and repaired for the use of the witnesses in the building No. 88 White-street.

Mr. Bowen thought they were the property of the City of New-York, and the Commissioners had no power to touch them.

The resolution was withdrawn.

A communication was read from Mr. Thaddeus Hyatt, wishing an interview with the party appointed by the Commissioners to fit up his building in West Broadway, which he had given gratuitously for the use of the poor during the Winter. Referred to the Committee.

A letter was read from Mr. Florentine, Jr., asking the Board for payment of the expenses of the funeral of Eugene Anderson.

Mr. Bowen thought since the funeral was conducted exclusively under the supervision of a Committee of Civilians, they had no right to pay the expenses out of a fund in the payment of policemen only.

Mr. Ebbens, (Chief Clerk,) stated that some time back he had investigated this matter and found that the Board had no legal right to pay this bill or were they in any way responsible.

It was ultimately moved that Mr. Florentine have leave to withdraw his petition for payment.

General Nye brought up the reports of evidence against officers, and moved their punishment as follows:

Hugh Dean, Sixteenth Precinct, for using harsh and violent language in the Station-house. Suspended from pay for ten days. John Shipted, absent from duty for twenty-four hours; fifteen days pay. James D. Centre, Ninth Precinct, absent from duty one hour, fined three days pay. James K. Fulton, Second Precinct, do.

After some routine business the Board went into secret session.

Board of Governors.

The Board of Governors met on Tuesday at the Rotunda, the President, C. Godfrey Gunther, Esq., in the Chair.

A number of bills were ordered to by paid.

Governor Anderson introduced a resolution to run a pipe for gas from Elm-street into Eldridge-street Prison, which was adopted.

Governor Moloney moved that the members for the Legislature from this City be invited to inspect the Institutions previously to their departure for Albany.

The President observing that the only thing desirable was that they should be desired to inspect the Institutions before going; of the nature of these Institutions, they being perfectly ignorant. Carried.

Doctor Sanger's report was laid over until next meeting.

Governor Pinckney moved the special order of the evening, the report of the Committee on Stores and Almshouse. By agreement it was carried over into next year.

A Committee was appointed as usual at this season as to the Annual Report. The Board then adjourned until next Tuesday.

The following is the usual weekly report:

Number remaining week ending Dec. 19, 1857.		
At Bellevue Hospital		919
Lunatic Asylum		928
Almshouse		1,541
Penitentiary		661
Penitentiary Hospital from Penitentiary		1
Penitentiary Hospital from Workhouse		469
Penitentiary Hospital from Almshouse		46
Workhouse		1,152
Small-pox Hospital		25
Randall's Island		1,106
Randall's Island Hospital		265
City Prison		397
Second District Prison		13
Third District Prison		23
Colored Home		242
Colored Orphan Asylum		180
Children at nurse		209
City Cemetery, Ward's Island		31
Total		7,980
Increase	84	
Number remaining Dec. 12		7,896
Admitted		1,557
Total		9,453
Died	34	
Discharged	1,348	
Sent to Penitentiary	86	
Sent to State Prison	5	1,473
Total		7,980
Number remaining Dec. 20, 1856		6,176
Increase		1,733

LAW INTELLIGENCE.

COURT CALENDAR—Thursday, Dec. 24.

Supreme Court—*Circuit*.—Nos. 3106, 2682, 1961, 2861, 1022, 227, 36, 1577, 263, 2748, 697, 1621, 259, 324, 371, 2308, 2334, 137, 1439, 2004, 2060, 2365, 2130, 2809, 2862, 1642.

Common Pleas—*Part I.*—Nos. 314 to 327, 260, (without a Jury.) *Part II.*—Nos. 290 to 303, 303½, 304 to 311, 313.

Supreme Court—*Special Term*.—No calendar for Thursday.

Superior Court.—The remainder of the Railroad calendar will be called to-day.

UNITED STATES CIRCUIT COURT.

Before Judge Ingersoll.

COUNTERFEITING.

Sylvester Stanley was this morning put on trial charged with passing a counterfeit half-dollar. Evidence was given that he passed two at different times upon the same person, at the Western Hotel, and the jury found him guilty, with a recommendation to the mercy of the Court. Judge Ingersoll sentenced him therefore to imprisonment for six months, and a fine of $1.

Decision in Admiralty.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT—Dec. 23.

Before Judge Betts.

PRACTICE—FOREIGN ATTACHMENTS—GARNISHEES—CONTEMPT.

Frederick, Swift et al. vs. Ira T. Wady.—This was a motion for an attachment against garnishees. The action was brought to recover for supplies furnished to the ship *Queen Victoria*. The libel prayed for a citation against the respondent, with a clause of foreign attachment against his goods and chattels, and for want of goods and chattels, against credits and effects in the hands of Messrs. Mailler & Lord. The libel was filed July 13, 1857, and an order entered for process according to its prayer. The monition was issued and the Marshal indorsed his return thereon of the same date: "Defendant not found—no goods, &c. I have attached the credits and effects of defendant, by serving on Wm. H. Mailler, Samuel F. Lord and A. Quereau, garnishees, a copy of within process, at their office, No. 108 Wall-street."

The writ was filed on the return day, July 21, in the Clerk's Office. On Sept. 1 the libelant's proctor obtained an *ex parte* order to enter the default of the garnishees, and that they answer on oath interrogatories to be propounded and testify as to the amount of funds belonging to the defendant in their hands or under their control. The interrogatories were filed on Sept. 3, and on the 12th and 13th two of the garnishees made affidavits that no service of the attachment had been made upon them. The libelant's proctor thereupon obtained, on Sept. 17, an order that the Marshal have leave to amend his return, and then obtained, on Oct. 10, this order *ex parte*, that the garnishees show cause why they should not be adjudged in default and contumacy.

Betts, J.—The application now made to the Court is to have the garnishees adjudged in contempt for not having given testimony at the instance of the libelant before a Commissioner, in respect to the garnishment imputed to them. They averred their willingness to give evidence as witnesses in the case, but denied the right of the libelants to examine them in that manner in the character of parties.

The papers brought before the Court show the proceedings in the case to have been exceedingly loose and incongruous, and that no legal foundation has been laid for placing the garnishees in contempt, if, indeed, it can be claimed that they have been yet connected with the cause by the libelant's proceedings. There is no evidence that there was property or credits of any kind belonging to the respondent in the hands of the garnishees when the action was instituted, and the libelants, without proof to that point, have no color of authority for compelling these persons to come into this litigation. (Dist. Court Rules, 28, 29, 30. Blanch and Howl. R. 525. Abbott's Ad. R. 373, 380.) The libel does not allege that the garnishees hold property of the respondent, nor does the writ specify the particular credits and effects of the debtor to be attached in their hands, nor does the return of the Marshal thereon mention that any property was attached by him. The libelants procured an order of Court, authorizing the Marshal to amend his return. No amendment of it is shown. An obscure interlineation to the return was suggested on this motion to be such amendment. That, however, cannot be implied to be such, for the return purports to have been made July 13, and the order to amend was not obtained until Sept. 17. There are other palpable irregularities, no way cured or sanctioned by the common-place orders taken upon the minutes in the progress of the proceedings. Those orders are rarely judicial acts of the Court, but are entered at the instance of the party seeking them, and when not the result of a formal motion to the Court, with due notice to the opposite party, they are at the peril of the party moving them, both as to regularity and effect. (1 Abbott, Ad. R. 375, 376.)

In looking over the libelants' proceedings, it thus appears that in bringing this action against the respondent, they assume that other persons hold property of his, and impetrate a warrant of arrest against such property; but they have it issued generally without designating what credits or effects it is to affect, and obtain from the Marshal a return that he left a copy of the writ at the office of the persons so sought to be charged, and thereupon the libelants, stepping out of the course of the suit, endeavor to coerce these persons to become witnesses in the case, and demand that they shall be attached for contempt of Court, in failing to comply with that demand.

The proceedings are throughout irregular, and the application must be denied with costs.

For libelants, Mr. Mudgett. For garnishees, Mr. Huntley.

SUPREME COURT—Special Term—Dec. 23.

Before Hon. Justice Roosevelt.

THE BOWERY GRADING FRAUD.

Daniel Berrien, Jr., vs. The Mayor, &c., of New-York, and Charles Devlin.—On the opening of the Court yesterday the defendants called as a witness Mr. Stilwell, one of the attorneys of Devlin, who testified that the Bowery contract had been assigned by Devlin to John Fitzpatrick; that the assignment had been delivered to the witness to keep, but that he could not find it. The Court held that the loss had not been sufficiently proved, and excluded any evidence in regard to the assignment.

John P. Cummings testified that he was one of the bidders for the contract at 85 cents; that he sold out his bid to Charles Devlin for a consideration of $250, Mr. Devlin indemnifying him; that he never received any notice from Mr. Taylor, Street Commissioner, to come forward and claim his contract.

Isaac T. Ludlam, a City surveyor, testified that he superintended the work done by Devlin in the New Bowery, and that it was done properly according to agreement and his directions; that before and after the work was commenced large quantities of earth were carted on the line of the work from other streets amounting to about 3,000 yards; that pay was taken by the inspectors of the work for the privilege of dumping earth on the line of the New Bowery, though he did not know of Devlin's men receiving any pay for it; that this earth which was removed by Mr. Devlin was allowed to him as earth excavation at the rate of $1 20 per cubic yard; so that the owners of property were assessed, therefore, about $3,600; but never saw Devlin allow any dirt dumped there.

John Mehan testified that he put in the bid for the work at $1 20 per yard. That he assigned his contract to Devlin, at the time when Devlin was urging Mayor Wood to appoint him (Mehan) to a Captaincy in the Seventeenth Ward Police. That he received no consideration for the assignment beyond this.

The case was adjourned to this morning at 11 o'clock.

The Salaries of District Court Justices.

COMMON PLEAS—Special Term.

Before Judge Ingraham.

James Green vs. The Mayor, &c., of New-York.—The plaintiff sues the defendants to recover from them the salary due him on the 1st of May, 1857.

Defendants admit the facts in the complaint alleged, but deny their liability therefor. The answer also sets out the various acts of the Legislature prohibiting the defendants from incurring indebtedness by loan of money, except in anticipation of the revenue, the tax bill for 1857, in which the salaries for the Justices were provided for at the rate of $2,000, being the amount at which the salaries were fixed by the Board of Supervisors—the provision in said Act that none of said moneys so to be raised should be applied to any purpose or object than those provided for in the Act; that by an Act subsequently passed, the salary of the Justices was raised to $3,000 per annum, payable out of the City Treasury, on the first day of each month; that the Legislature passed no act giving the defendants authority to raise any other or further sums to pay those salaries; that there is no money in the Treasury out of which the defendants are authorized to pay an increase of salary, and that there is no power vested in defendants to raise the same, by loan or tax.

The answer also was an offer to pay the plaintiff the salary due at the rate of two thousand dollars per annum. To this answer the plaintiff demurred upon the ground that it contains no defence to the plaintiff's claim. By the demurrer all the allegations of the plaintiff are admitted, viz.: that the defendants are prohibited by law from borrowing moneys to make this payment, that the moneys raised by tax are all appropriated to the special purposes for which they were to be assessed, and cannot be used to pay this claim, that there is no money in the Treasury out of which the payment can be made, and no money can be drawn therefrom without a previous appropriation. The question then arises whether the Legislature can, after prohibiting the use of all means the defendants may possess, applicable to this purpose, impose on it the payment of salaries without providing by law the means of payment either by loan or tax, or by a repeal of the restrictions above referred to. If it can be done for one thousand dollars it can be for an unlimited amount, and if the power can be thus exercised it may be productive of consequences disastrous to the interests of the City Government.

By the Constitution, the Legislature is required to pass laws prohibiting Municipal Corporations from incurring debts, and the Legislature have so restrained the defendants. The Legislature had in like manner specially limited the use of all moneys to be raised by tax, so that they cannot be used to pay the plaintiff. By law also all the real estate belonging to the defendants and all their rents and income from markets, wharves, lands, &c., are pledged to the payment of the public debt, and cannot be used for any other purpose. It must be apparent therefore, that the defendants can only make this payment by violation of the law. I cannot adopt the conclusion that the legislation is sufficient to impose on the defendants the liability for the plaintiff's claims, which he seeks to enforce by action. If the Legislature have provided by law for an increase of the salaries of the Justices and Clerks of these Courts, and have omitted to provide the means by which the defendants could raise the moneys required, therefore the necessary legislation for that purpose has been omitted and the defendants are not to be held liable. The effect of holding the defendants liable under such circumstances would be to expose their real and personal estate to be sold for the payment of a claim which they have not contracted, to which they have never given their assent, and which they are prohibited from paying out of any means within their control by the various statutes above referred to.

This case may be distinguished from that of a contract made by the defendants, whereby their own act they assume the liability. Even in such a case it may be doubtful whether a liability can be enforced in a contract not provided for by law. Whether it could or not be enforced in the case of a contract, there should be no liability incurred where the Legislature have expressly deprived the defendants of all means of paying the claim, by the passage of laws forbidding the use of the public funds except for specific purposes. The property owned by a municipal corporation is to be protected in the same manner as that of individuals. (Bailey vs. The Mayor, &c., of New-York; 3 Hill, 531.) The Legislature cannot take away that property, either directly or indirectly, from the Corporation without their consent, and if they can impose upon the defendants the payment of moneys without providing authority to raise such moneys, by loan or tax, they indirectly appropriate the property held by the City in their corporate right to public use without their consent.

More especially would this be so when all the provisions of law forbid the making of this payment out of any means possessed by the defendants, and where payment, by the officers of the City government, out of the moneys raised by tax, would expose them to punishment for such a violation of the laws. (See sec. 46, Act to Amend Charter, Laws 1857, ch. 446.) In the case of The People ex. rel. Lynch vs. The Mayor &c., 25 Wend. 680, it was held that an action could lie against the Corporation for the salary of a new officer created since the present by statute, but the case arose before the restrictions now contained in the Charter and Laws had been adopted, and the points now urged were not considered in that decision. It is said that in that case the payment of such a claim becomes a corporate duty, for which they are liable as much as they would be on a contract executed by them under their corporate seal. Conceding that such a liability existed before the restrictions to which I have referred were in force, those provisions of law have rendered further legislation necessary. It would be idle to say that moneys should be paid out of the treasury of the City for a special purpose, and at the same time by law to say that if any of the public offices should apply the moneys in the treasury to any purpose other than was designated in the tax-bill, they shall be subject to indictment for a misdemeanor.

The defendants, when they receive money from taxes or any other source of revenue which they are bound to apply to any special purpose, may by action be compelled to pay such money to the purposes contemplated, upon the principle that they hold the money so received by them to be so applied. In like manner, where authority is given to them to raise the amount by tax, it is their duty to make the necessary provisions therefor, and the law allows them, in case of delay in collecting the taxes, to resort to a loan for the purpose of anticipating the amount that may be necessary for the purposes of the City Government, before the taxes are paid.

In either of these cases, they would be liable to actions, if they neglected to provide for and pay such claims as they become due, but there is no good reason why they should be compelled by a judgment and execution to do what the laws have prohibited, or be compelled to part with their property to meet payments which the Legislature has imposed, without providing the necessary authority to collect means for that purpose. It does not follow, because the defendants have not been authorized to provide the means for this payment, that the plaintiff is remediless. The payment may be delayed, and the consequence to those entitled to receive the salaries may produce temporary inconvenience; but it will be the duty of the Supervisors to provide for such payments in their future application, and if they neglect to do so, other means may be resorted to; but until the necessary legislation is adopted, I see no grounds on which the defendants can be held liable.

An objection has been taken to the constitutionality of the act relative to the District Courts, on the ground that the 71st section continued in office the clerks of those Courts for a period of six years from the time at which the Justices now elected take their offices; that the effect of this provision would be the same as a new appointment by the Legislature after the terms of the present clerks had expired, and that such a statute would be a violation of the provision of the Constitution which gives the election or appointment of those officers to the people or to the local authorities. There is much force in this objection. It is not, however, necessary for me to pass upon that question. If it should be hereafter declared to be a violation of that article of the Constitution, the residue of the statute would not, on that account, be affected by it. This section could be rejected, while the rest could be sustained. (Town of Fishkill vs. Fishkill Plank Railroad Company, 22 Barb., 634.)

It was urged by the plaintiff's counsel that there were appropriations for City and County contingencies, out of which this money could be paid. The answer to this suggestion is, that on these pleadings it does not appear that any such appropriations have been made, and the demurrer admits the averments in the answer, that there are no funds in the Treasury out of which the increased salary could be legally paid, and that the defendants have no power to raise the same, either by loan or tax. If there is any other fund from which payment can be made, the plaintiff must show that by evidence on the trial. Although the point was not made by the plaintiff's counsel on the argument, it is proper to refer to the 81st section of the act relating to the District Courts—chap. 344, session 1857. This section repeals all laws in any case provided for by that act, and also all laws inconsistent with its provisions. If the laws referred to in the defendant's answer are in any way affected by this section, they are absolutely repealed and abrogated. The repeal is not so far as they are inconsistent,—but it is absolute and entire; and if so affected, then all the restrictions imposed by the Legislature, on the City Government, as to borrowing money, and as to the application of moneys raised by tax are at an end. I cannot suppose that the Legislature ever intended to pass such a law, nor in my judgment is there any inconsistency between them. It is not inconsistent with the clause giving the Justices an increased salary, that the corporation should be prohibited from borrowing money, or that the moneys previously authorized to be raised by tax should be applied to the purposes for which they were authorized. Those different provisions can all remain in force, and not interfere with any of the provisions of the act relating to the District Courts. The repeal of statutes involving matters of so much importance should be more explicitly stated to justify a Court in upholding such repeal. The defendants are entitled to judgment upon the demurrer, with leave to the plaintiff to withdraw the demurrer on payment of costs.

Wessel S. Smith for plaintiff; A. R. Lawrence for defendant.

KINGS COUNTY SUPREME COURT.

George W. Brown vs. Loving Pickney and others.—In this case it will be remembered that the plaintiff was fined $2,250 for contempt in the City Court for not obeying the order of the Court in vesting certain property placed in his possession by the Court (he having previously disposed of the same) by a previous order. Judge Emmott of the Supreme Court granted a writ of certiorari, and the case will be heard on the first Monday in January.

Condition of Liberia.

Rev. John Seys, who went to Liberia a few months since, clothed with the powers of a special agent of the American Colonization Society, has returned and made his report. It is published in the last number of the Society's periodical. The mission of Mr. Seys had for its object a general view of the condition of the settlements in Liberia and the acquisition of new territory. Both ends were accomplished; a report is made of the progress of the emigrants; the people are contented, but the country is not so prosperous as could be wished, mainly for want of means; and the necessity of enlarged facilities is apparent. Nevertheless, there is reason to be satisfied with the work that has been accomplished. The area of the Republic has been widened by the addition of a tract of country twenty miles square, a hilly region known as Mount Fawblee, which was obtained by Mr. Seys through treaty with the Queah chiefs. In this district the Christian religion is to be introduced, towns to be erected, farms cultivated, and ministers and churches established, under the Government of Liberia, and protected by the chiefs from whom the purchase is made. As to the character of the emigrants who shall be sent to people this region, it is recommended the emancipated slaves be preferred to others. Laborious and experienced agriculturists are wanted. A settlement has been made and a town commenced with the name of Careysburg.

An interesting paragraph in Mr. Seys' report refers to a peculiar quality of Cotton believed to be indigenous to Western Africa:

"Cotton of the best and finest kind I ever saw, may be raised with very little expense and in any quantity. A variety which abounds among the Goulahs differs from any I ever knew in the West Indies, and deserves particular mention in this report. Instead of one seed here and there found in the boll, to which the fibre clings, the Goulah cotton produces much larger, richer bolls, and there are seven seeds, as in a specimen now before me while I write, closely compacted together, like two rows of peas without a pod, covered with a staple of unrivaled softness and richness of texture. From all I could gather, I am inclined to believe this cotton indigenous to Western Africa. I need not say it is perennial. I have brought to the United States several samples."

NEW-YORK LIVE STOCK MARKET.

[illegible] *Prepared every week, expressly for the New-York Daily, Semi-Weekly and Weekly Times, by a careful and experienced Reporter.* [illegible]

WEDNESDAY EVENING, Dec. 23, 1857.

The principal Market Places are the Washington Drove-Yards, Forty-fourth-street; Browning's, on Sixth-avenue; Chamberlin's, on Robinson-street; and O'Brien's, on Sixth-street. Our remarks refer to these regular markets. Irregular sales are sometimes made at Bergen Hill, N. J., and from the Hudson River Boats.

The great day of the Washington Yards is on WEDNESDAY of each week. The reports from all the yards are made up for the preceding week to the evening of that day.

[illegible]

YARDS.	Beeves.		Milch Cows.	Veal Calves.	Sheep & Lambs.	Swine.
Washington Drove-Yards, Forty-fourth-st.	2780	1620	12	210	1856	2565
Browning's, Sixth-ave.	.....	140	40	27	3437	.....
Chamberlin's, Robinson-st.	.....	220	73	141	2078	.....
O'Brien's, Sixth-street.	.....	42	105	102	.....	.....
Sales reported at Bergen.	.....	260	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total this week.	2780	2197	230	480	6380	2565
Last week.	2750	2073	200	1401	8380	2965

Average weekly receipts of Beeves at the four City Markets for the year 1856 ..... [illegible]

A. M. ALLERTON, proprietor, reports the animals at the Washington Drove-Yards received, as follows:

CONVEYANCE.	Beeves.	Milch Cows.	Veal.	Sheep & Lambs.	Swine.
Erie Railroad	892				
Hudson River Railroad	662			107	
Hudson River Boats	380			[illegible]	865
Harlem Railroad	360	12	210	1469	
New-Haven Railroad					
Camden & Amboy R. R.					
On Foot					

The following is a report of the Live Stock receipts over the New-York and Erie Railroad destined for New-York for the week ending this morning:

Cattle	793	Horses	—
Sheep	1,469	Lambs	—
Hogs	3,560	Calves	125

The Cattle at Forty-fourth-street were derived from the following sources:

Ohio	462	Missouri	—
New-York	800	Pennsylvania	—
Illinois	96	Texas	—
Kentucky	285	Connecticut	60
Indiana	—	Michigan	40
Virginia	—	New-Jersey	—
Iowa	—	Cherokee Nation	—

Beeves are sold by the estimated dead weight of the four quarters, the so-called "fifth quarter" [illegible]

[illegible]

The average prices to-day, as compared with last week, are a trifle higher.

[illegible]

	To-day.	Last Week.
Premium Cattle	[illegible]	none.
First quality	10c.@10½c.	10¼c.@10½c.
Medium quality	9c.@9¾c.	[illegible]
Poor quality	7½c.@8c.	7½c.@8c.
Poorest quality	7c.@7½c.	7c.@7c.
General selling prices	8½c.@10½c.	8½c.@10c.
Average of all sales	8¾c.@9c.	8½c.@9c.

At Browning's, Chamberlin's and O'Brien's prices do not materially differ from those at Forty-fourth-street. Browning reports Beeves at 7c.@10c. [illegible]

[illegible]

The market commenced at Forty-fourth-street with an apparent small supply of Cattle, but of improved qualities. Owners of Beeves wisely concluded that to compete with the turkeys, geese and chickens, just now in demand, they must offer a good article, and several pairs of premium Cattle were thus sent in and taken by purchasers at high prices. We noted sales of a few at [illegible] pair, or from 10¼c. to nearly 12c. [illegible] However, we would not have these figures taken as a criterion of the market, for were it not that the Cattle generally were greatly superior to those of last week, we should scarcely advance our figures at all. We even doubt whether the same quality brought as much as it did last Wednesday. There was a very large number of owners to the Cattle offered to-day—not less than 105—having from a single animal up to 80 head. Fully one-half of the Cattle for the present market are from New-York State. After a moderately brisk market during a part of the day, and dull sales for the remainder, the market closed with some 250 head left over, though the numbers varied for the sales of yesterday also, they were but 1,750.

The table below and the special notes following will give the derivation of the principal lots on sale at Forty-fourth-street, with their general quality, and other matters of interest. These tables, &c., are compiled from copious notes made during a personal examination of the yards conducted throughout the entire day.

[illegible]

D. [illegible] contributed 63 Ohio Cattle, of his own feeding. They were all good, but the 20 selected as premium Beeves were very fine. They were estimated at 1,050 lbs. net, and were mostly sold yesterday, by S. [illegible], at an average of 11c. The balance were bringing about 10c.

[illegible]

E. W. OWENS forwarded 50 Ohio Cattle, mixed in quality from common to very good. They were of his own feeding, and were bringing 9c.@10c.—a few 11c. [illegible]

L. [illegible] had an even lot of 38 head from Connecticut, which he is making average about 9½c.

MILLER, HARRIS & GURNEY sold 113 Cattle at Bergen for 7c.@9c. They were mostly quite common.

J. MORGAN forwarded 42 pretty fair heavy Cattle from Morgan County, Ohio; the whole cost of transportation and commissions he estimated at $10 ₩ head. [illegible]

M. DALTON was selling [illegible] ordinary State cattle for A. BROWN, at about [illegible] They are very light, weighing by estimate only [illegible] net. Also, 16 better animals for R. [illegible]

Two of the largest animals were brought in by T. [illegible], in the shape of a huge pair of Kentucky Durhams, which weighed at the yards 4,264 lbs. gross. W. H. HARRIS sold them for [illegible]—which the purchaser, J. [illegible] called about 10½c. They were large framed but rather coarse. Another year feeding would make them a splendid pair.

[illegible]

[illegible] consisting of 12 common Michigan cattle, rated 700 lbs. net. [illegible] COOPER took 30 of [illegible] for shipping to Bermuda. [illegible] sold a single pair belonging to and fed by [illegible]

MILCH COWS WITH CALVES.

[illegible] The prices vary somewhat with the supply and demand, and very greatly, of course, upon the milking value. The particular fancy of the buyer has also considerable to do with the price. Not unfrequently a Cow is sold at $80@$100, or even $120. The [illegible] for ordinary Cows is $35 to $50 [illegible] above $50, and [illegible] below $30. We often see [illegible] weekly reports from the different yards will give the weekly fluctuations.

The demand for good Milch Cows is slightly increasing, and such animals bring increased prices. There is an increasing demand for Milch Cows by gentlemen who wish to furnish their families with pure milk. [illegible]

ALLERTON reports receipts of 12 fresh cows during the week, selling at $25@$30 for common, $35@$45 for good and [illegible] for extras. Very few cows offering, and the demand is light, although rather on the increase.

[illegible] receipts of 40 Milch Cows, selling at [illegible] for common, $30@$40 for good, and $50@$60 for extras. The market is just supplied, and sales are slow. The demand is mostly confined to milkmen at present.

CHAMBERLIN reports 73 Milch Cows, selling at $20@$35 for common, $40@$50 for good, and [illegible] for extras.

O'BRIEN reports 105 Milch Cows, selling at $25@$30 for common, $35@$45 for good, and $50@$60 for extras. There is a little more briskness in the market.

VEAL CALVES.

Veal Calves are sold by live weight, each animal being weighed alive at the time of sale. "Bobs"—that is, Calves a few days old—are usually sold by the head at such prices as can be agreed upon, sometimes for but little more than the skin is worth. The principal places of sale are ALLERTON'S, BROWNING'S, CHAMBERLIN'S and O'BRIEN'S.

Ordinary calves are scarcely as high as last week. They bring from 5c.@6c. The best are worth 6½c., and a very few of the extras 7c. The markets are fully supplied.

ALLERTON reports receipts of 210 Veal Calves, selling at 5c.@7c. for good animals. Few bring over 6½c., while one very extra calf, fatted by GEORGE HALLECK, of New-Milford, Conn., sold for $60. It was a cross of native and Durham stock, 7 months old, and weighed, alive, 725 lbs. It was estimated to dress 500 lbs. of meat, which would be 12c. ₩ lb.

BROWNING reports receipts of 27 Veal Calves, selling generally at 4½c.@6½c. "Bobs" sell slowly, at $1 @$2 each. The light receipts are quite enough for the wants of butchers.

CHAMBERLIN reports receipts of 141 Veal Calves, selling at 5c.@6c.

O'BRIEN reports 102 Veal Calves, selling at 5c. @6½c. The market is fully supplied. Poor calves sell very slowly, at much lower prices.

SHEEP AND LAMBS.

These are chiefly sold at ALLERTON'S, BROWNING'S, and CHAMBERLIN'S, at so much ₩ head for a particular lot of Sheep or Lambs, or of the two together. They are also frequently sold by live weight, as this is readily ascertained. The actual prices at the different yards seldom vary greatly. The difference in reported prices is generally due to variation in the quality. When they are sold by weight, it is usually the net weight, which is ordinarily one-half what they weigh when alive, the pelt and offal making the other half. If fat and small-boned, they will dress 50 lbs. and in some cases 60 lbs. ₩ hundred. The average run is about one-half the live weight.

The supply continues sufficient, and the quality is better than for a few weeks past. Some extra animals have been sent in for the holidays, which have sold from $10 to $17 50 each. Mutton is arriving freely by the boats. Prices are as last week.

ALLERTON reports receipts of 1,856 Sheep and Lambs, selling at [illegible] ₩ dressed weight. A few of the best animals bring 10c. Four extra large fat animals, fed by [illegible], of Columbia County, N. Y., brought $70, or $17 50 each. They are destined to compete with fat turkeys for Christmas dinner.

BOWLES & STEVENSON report sales at ALLERTON'S of:

65 Sheep at	$371 25	180 Sheep at	$560 00
50 Sheep at	170 12	30 Sheep at	137 50
104 Sheep at	420 00	12 Sheep at	57 00
160 Sheep at	461 00	4 Sheep at	70 00

BROWNING reports receipts of 3,437 Sheep and Lambs, selling generally at 7c.@9c. ₩ lb. net weight. A few bring 10c. and some sell as low as 5c. Good Sheep bring $3@$6 each, while a few have been sold during the past week at $7. The market has not been as well supplied, although there is no lack of numbers. From 400 to 500 are on sale to-day.

CHAMBERLIN reports receipts of 2,078 Sheep and Lambs, selling at $2@$5 50 ₩ head.

[illegible] sales at BROWNING'S for the week ending Dec. 22.

[illegible] report sales of:

9 Sheep at	$50 00	24 Sheep at	$54 00
3 Sheep at	[illegible]	26 Sheep at	112 00
22 Sheep at	100 00	29 Sheep at	94 12

JAS. MCCARTY reports sales of:

[illegible] Sheep at	[illegible]	[illegible] Sheep at	$170 00
50 Sheep at	[illegible]	[illegible] Sheep at	[illegible]
50 Sheep at	[illegible]	[illegible] Sheep at	114 42
50 Sheep at	[illegible]	[illegible] Sheep at	61 00

[illegible] reports sales of:

161 Sheep at	$361 00	[illegible] Sheep at	$28 00
[illegible] Sheep at	[illegible]	[illegible] Sheep at	130 75
110 Sheep at	[illegible]	[illegible] Sheep at	126 50
74 Sheep at	[illegible]	[illegible] Sheep at	483 00
50 Sheep at	200 00	[illegible] Sheep at	101 25

THOS. C. LARKIN reports sales of:

30 Sheep at	$106 75	121 Sheep at	$413 87
20 Sheep at	174 12	57 Sheep at	225 75
15 Sheep at	49 50	83 Sheep at	231 25
73 Sheep at	190 50		

SWINE.

These are sold alive at so much ₩ lb., gross or live weight. Considerable numbers are sold at ALLERTON'S, Forty-fourth-street, and at various other yards, while large droves are sold direct from the cars or boats, and driven immediately to the various slaughter-houses.

There has been a falling off in the receipts of live Hogs, which, with the cool weather just commencing, causes an advance in price. The markets are well cleared up.

ALLERTON reports receipts of 2,565 hogs during the past week. Prices for live hogs ranged during the week at about [illegible] gross, for Corn fed. The markets are not as well supplied, and prices are advancing.

VAN BUSKIRK & WARRENS, Pork packers, at No. 200 Chambers-street, report prices as follows:

CORN-FED.

Live .... $ 5c.@5½c. | Dressed .... 6¾c.@7c.

DISTILLERY.

Live .... 4¾c.@5c. | Dressed .... 5½c.@5¾c.

G. W. DURMAN, commission merchant, Nos. 5 and 6 Centre-row, West Washington Market, reports:

	Gross.	Net.
Heavy Western Corn Hogs	5½@5¾	6¾@6⅞
Light	5¼@5½	6½@6¾
Distillery	5 @5¼	6 @6¼

Stock—No sale. None in market.

Arrivals light, and prices are on the advance at present.

Wholesale Produce Markets.

Reported exclusively for the New-York Times.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, Dec. 23, 1857.

The prices given in our report from week to week are the average wholesale prices obtained by producers, and not those at which produce is sold from the market. The variations in prices refer chiefly to the qualities of the articles.

Potatoes are unchanged, except that common and poor varieties sell slowly, at lower figures than last week. Some of the dealers are now actively engaged in putting up orders for Spring planting.

Onions have advanced in price. This advance is greater in the White variety, which is just now in demand, as an aid to the poultry and other fixings of the holidays.

Apples, especially the finer red variety, are in brisk demand. Good Spitzenbergs sell for about $4 50 ₩ bbl.

Turnips and Cabbages are in large supply, with a depressed market.

Butter is moderately brisk, with a full supply on hand. Prices remain as last week.

Eggs are in good demand for the holidays, and limed ones have advanced about ½c. ₩ dozen.

Poultry—Christmas turkeys, geese, ducks, wild fowl and chickens, all find a brisk market just now, and from the groaning benches and strained hooks of both the legitimate dealers and those who have suddenly become "poultry merchants," we doubt whether any need go without a turkey, even, and at a moderate price too. If so, however, there is almost any quantity of other poultry, which seemingly asks for purchasers. Of course, with the abundant supply it would be impolitic to advance the prices. People are making their purchases earlier than usual, and it would not be surprising if it cheapened before Christmas. Ducks are a little higher on account of their scarcity.

Potatoes—Junes, ₩ bbl.	$2 25	@	$2 37
Potatoes—Mercer, ₩ bbl.	2 75	@	3 00
Potatoes—Peach Blow, ₩ bbl.	2 75	@	3 00
Potatoes—White, ₩ bbl.	—	@	2 00
Potatoes—California, ₩ bbl.	1 75	@	2 00
Potatoes—Round Red, ₩ bbl.	1 75	@	2 00
Potatoes—Carters, Lowland, ₩ bbl.	2 50	@	2 75
Potatoes—Carters, Upland, ₩ bbl.	2 75	@	3 00
Potatoes—[illegible]	—	@	[illegible]
Potatoes—Sweet, Va., ₩ bbl.	—	@	3 50
Potatoes—Sweet, Delaware, ₩ bbl.	4 25	@	4 50
Onions—Red, ₩ bbl.	1 50	@	—
Onions—White, ₩ bbl.	2 50	@	3 00
Onions—Yellow, ₩ bbl.	1 75	@	2 00
Beets—₩ bbl.	—	@	1 50
Carrots—₩ bbl.	—	@	1 50
Parsnips—₩ bbl.	—	@	1 50
[illegible]	[illegible]	@	[illegible]
Peanuts—Va., ₩ bushel	[illegible]	@	[illegible]
Peanuts—Wilmington, ₩ bushel	1 00	@	1 25
Apples—Common, ₩ bbl.	1 [illegible]	@	[illegible]
Apples—Gilliflower, ₩ bbl	3 00	@	3 50
Apples—Spitzenberg, ₩ bbl	3 50	@	4 50
Apples—Greenings, ₩ bbl	3 00	@	3 50
Apples—Newtown Pippins, ₩ bbl.	4 00	@	5 00
Apples—Talman Sweets, ₩ bbl	3 00	@	3 50
Apples—Dried, Southern, ₩ lb.	7	@	7½
Apples—Dried, Northern, ₩ lb.	8	@	8½
Peaches—Dried, ₩ lb.	18	@	20
Turnips—Rutabagas, ₩ bbl	62	@	75
Turnips—White, ₩ bbl.	[illegible]	@	62
Pumpkins—Cheese, ₩ 100	10 00	@	12 00
Squashes—Marrow, ₩ bbl	2 00	@	2 50
Cabbages—₩ 100	3 00	@	4 00
Cabbages—Red, ₩ doz.	[illegible]	@	87
Sea Kale—₩ dozen	31	@	50
Spinach—₩ bbl	75	@	1 00
Leeks—₩ 100	[illegible]	@	[illegible]
Celery—₩ doz.	75	@	1 00
Celery—Turnip-rooted, ₩ doz.	50	@	62
Garlic—₩ 100	5 00	@	5 50
Butter—Orange Co., pails, ₩ lb.	22	@	25
Butter—State, ₩ lb.	15	@	18
Ohio and other Western States, ₩ lb.	12	@	14
Lard—in bbls.	[illegible]	@	[illegible]
Lard—Kegs	12	@	13
Cheese—₩ lb.	6	@	8½
Eggs—Fresh, State, ₩ doz.	23	@	24
Eggs—Limed, ₩ doz.	17½	@	18½
Fowls—Western, ₩ lb.	7	@	9
Fowls—Bucks County, ₩ lb.	11	@	12
Chickens—₩ lb.	10	@	12
Chickens—Western, ₩ lb.	8	@	10
Ducks—₩ pair.	75	@	1 00
Ducks—₩ lb.	11	@	13
Ducks—Canvass Back, ₩ pair	2 00	@	2 50
Ducks—Red Heads, ₩ pair	1 12	@	1 25
Ducks—Brant, ₩ pair	1 00	@	1 25
Ducks—Broad Bill, ₩ pair	50	@	56
Ducks—Teal, ₩ pair	50	@	56
Ducks—Dippers, ₩ pair	25	@	31
Turkeys—₩ lb.	10	@	14
Turkeys—Wild, each	4 00	@	6 00
Turkeys—Western, ₩ lb.	8	@	10
Geese—₩ lb.	8	@	11
Geese—Western, ₩ lb.	6	@	8
Guinea Fowls—₩ pair	56	@	62
Pigeons—Stall-fed, ₩ doz.	—	@	1 25
Pigeons—Squab, ₩ doz.	1 50	@	1 62
Partridge—₩ pair	62	@	75
Prairie Hens—₩ pair	1 00	@	—
Quails—each	25	@	31
Roasting Pigs	1 25	@	2 25
Rabbits—Each	10	@	15
Hares—Each	11	@	15
Squirrels—Each	3	@	4
Venison—Saddle, ₩ lb.	11	@	13
Venison—Carcass, ₩ lb.	8	@	10
Bear Meat—Carcass, ₩ lb.	12	@	16

Markets....*Carefully reported for New-York Times.*

NEW-YORK, Wednesday, Dec. 23, 1857—6 P. M.

RECEIPTS OF PRODUCE—Since noon of yesterday, 24,390 bbls. Flour, 2,450 bushels and 280 bags Wheat, 54,124 bushels Corn, 7,597 bushels Oats, 325 tcs. Beef, and 91 bbls. Whisky.

ASHES—Are inactive, old prices, including Pearls, at $6; and Pots at $6 ₩ 100 lbs. Stock in the Inspection Warehouse to-day, 1,465 bbls., including 862 bbls. Pearls, and 603 bbls. Pots.

BEESWAX—American Yellow, 27½c.@28½c., cash, ₩ lb.

COFFEE—Is quiet, yet steady, in private, with sales reported of 500 pkgs. Java at 16c; 225 bags Rio at 9c.@10½c., and 130 bags Maracaibo at 11c.@12c. ₩ lb. Sales by auction, 2,344 bags Rio at 8½c.@10½c., ₩ lb., averaging $9 46 ₩ 100 lbs., and 623 bags Santos at 9c.@12½c. ₩ lb., averaging $11 19 ₩ 100 lb. The attendance at these sales was large, and the competition spirited. We repeat our quotations: Java, 16c. @16½c.; Maracaibo, 10c.@12½c.; Rio, 8¾c.@10¾c. cash; Laguayra at 11c.@12c.; Bahia at 8¾c.@9c., and St. Domingo at 8½c.@8¾c. ₩ lb.

COPPER—The market continues depressed and languid. New Sheathing, 27½c.@28c.; Yellow, 24c.@ old do., 17c.@17½c.; American Ingot at 20½c.; Chili Pig at 23½c.@24c.; Bolts at 30c.; Braziers at 33c ₩ lb.

COTTON—The demand is quite spiritless, and prices steadily favor buyers. Small lots were reported sold, including Middlings at about 10c.@10½c. for Upland, and 10¾c.@10¾c. for Gulf, ₩ lb. Our available supply is now about 7,500 bales, against 70,700 bales same time last year.

FISH—Dry Cod, Pickled Salmon and Pickled Herring are dull, while Mackerel and Smoked Herring are in fair request at our quotations: Dry Cod, $2 75@$3 37½ ₩ cwt.; Massachusetts Mackerel at $9 @$9 25 for small No. 1; $8@$8 25 for small and medium No. 2; and $6 for No. 3, ₩ bbl. Pickled Salmon at $20@$22 ₩ tc., and $22@$23 ₩ bbl.; Pickled Herring, $3@$3 75 ₩ bbl.; and Smoked Herring at 15c. for scale, and 16c.@17c. for No. 1, ₩ box.

FLOUR AND MEAL—State and Western Flour is more inquired for, both for home use and for export; prices close with reviving firmness and buoyancy. Sales, 8,500 bbls.

Common to good Superfine	$4 20	@	$4 25
Extra State	4 40	@	4 60
Superfine Indiana and Michigan	4 20	@	4 30
Superfine Ohio	4 25	@	4 35
Fancy Ohio	4 40	@	4 50
Extra Indiana and Michigan	4 40	@	6 00
Extra Ohio	4 60	@	6 50
Fancy Genesee	4 40	@	4 50
Extra Genesee	5 00	@	7 50
Low to very choice Extra Missouri	5 00	@	7 25

Canadian is doing better. Sales 700 bbls. Superfine to extra, at $4 25@$6 ₩ bbl. Southern continues abundant and depressed. Sales 850 bbls. low mixed to choice extra at $4 75@$7 25 ₩ bbl. Rye Flour is in slack demand at languid prices—$3@$4 25 for fine to superfine, ₩ bbl. Corn Meal is quiet, yet steady, at $3 25@$3 40 for Jersey, and $3 60@$3 70 for Brandywine, ₩ bbl. Buckwheat Flour $2 ₩ 100 lbs.

FOREIGN LIQUORS—Are sparingly sought after at previous figures.

FRUIT—Raisins attract less attention, and tend downward, including Layer at $2 20@$2 25; Bunch, at $2 ₩ whole box, and smaller packages at proportionate rates. Other articles are quiet, yet quoted steady. Sales by auction, to-day: 300 boxes Bunch Muscatel Raisins, at $1 95; 400 half-boxes Bunch Muscatel Raisins, at 95c.; 2,368 quarter-boxes Bunch Muscatel Raisins, at 52½c.@55c.; 200 boxes Layer Raisins, at $2 22½. All 4 months.

GRAIN—Wheat is in firm request, but at prices which do not satisfy factors, and business is restricted. Sales 14,250 bushels, including red Western Spring at 90c.; ordinary and prime white Southern at $1 25@$1 38, and red Southern at $1 10@$1 18½, ₩ bushel. Corn is rather quiet and unsettled. Sales 23,000 bushels at 56c.@62c. for new crop yellow and white Jersey and Southern, of which the supply is heavier; 70c. for old mixed Western, and 71c. for old yellow Southern, each of which kinds is sparingly offered. A limited inquiry prevails for Rye, at 70c.@71c. Barley at 65c.@80c., and Barley Malt at 88c.@90c. ₩ bushel. Oats continue abundant and depressed, at 45c.@47c. for Western; 42c.@44c. for State; 34c.@39c. for Jersey and Pennsylvania, and 28c.@35c. for Southern, ₩ bushel.

HAY—Sales 800 bales North River at 55c.@70c. ₩ 100 lbs.

HEMP—All kinds are quiet, and prices favor buyers.

HIDES—Are in moderate demand, without any remarkable change in value. Sales have been reported of 2,000 Buenos Ayres at 20c.; 3,000 Orinoco, part averaging 20½ lbs., at 17c.; and 800 Rio Grande Horse at private bargain, the latter to be sent to Baltimore. Stock of all kinds in first hands, to-day, 308,927, against 19,279 same time last year, and 37,444, same time in 1855.

HOPS—Continue in slack request at unchanged figures. Crops of 1857, 5c.@10c.; 1856, 2c.@3½c.; 1855, 1½c.@3c., cash, ₩ lb.

IRON—Small lots of Scotch Pig continue to find buyers at $22 50@$25, usual credit, ₩ ton. The last sale for cash was made at $21 ₩ ton. Other kinds are dull and nominal.

LATHS—Eastern, $1 25, cash, ₩ M.

LEAD—Continues inactive, at old figures. Foreign Pig, $4 62½@$5 12½ ₩ 110 lbs.; Bar, 5¾c., and Pipe and Sheet at 6c., ₩ lb.

LEATHER—Sole is in brisk request, at full prices.

LIME—Rockland: 8₵c. for Common, and $1 for Lump, ₩ bbl.

MOLASSES—The demand continues limited at old prices. Porto Rico, 25c.@30c.; Cuba Muscovado, at 22c.@25c.; Clayed Cuba, at 17c.@20c., and New-Orleans at 33c.@35c. ₩ gallon.

NAILS—Cut, 3¼c.; German Wrought, 5¼c. ₩ lb.

NAVAL STORES—The leading kinds continue quiet and languid, including Resin at $1 30@$1 35 for common, ₩ 310 lbs.; $2 50@$3 for No. 1, and $3@$4 50 for white and pale, ₩ 280 lbs. Pitch at $1 75@$2 ₩ bbl.; Tar at $1 37½@$2 ₩ bbl.; Crude Turpentine at $2 75@$3 ₩ bbl., and Spirits Turpentine at 39c.@40c., cash, ₩ gallon.

OIL-CAKE—Thin Oblong City, at $34@$35; Thin Western at $28@$29, ₩ ton.

OILS—Whale is quiet and nominal, while Sperm is in request at strengthening prices, Crude Sperm bringing $1, cash, and refined $1 25@$1 30, cash, ₩ gallon. Palm, Olive and Lard Oils are quiet at about previous figures. Linseed is pretty brisk and buoyant at 54c.@56c. ₩ gallon.

NEW-BEDFORD OIL MARKET—[For week ending Dec. 21.]—Sperm—We notice further demands for Sperm since our last. We quote sales of 1,000 bbls., in parcels, for manufacturing purposes, at an average of $1 05 ₩ gallon, part cash. Holders are firm at these quotations. Whale—There is some inquiry for Whale, but we have no transactions to note further than a sale of 4,000 gallons humpback at 54c. Whalebone—No change in the market since our last.

PROVISIONS—Pork is dull and drooping. Sales 400 bbls., in lots, at $15 50@$15 60 for new and old Mess; and $13@$13 50 for Prime, ₩ bbl. Cut Meats continue in good supply and slack demand, at 6¾c.@8½c. for Hams, and 6c.@6¾c. for Shoulders, ₩ lb. Lard is salable and steady. The transactions since our last embrace 200 bbls. fair to prime, chiefly at 9c.@9½c. ₩ lb. Beef is plentier and brisker. The transactions since our last consist of 150 bbls., in lots, at $10@$12 50 for repacked Western Mess; $13@$14 25 for extra do.; $9@$9 25 for Country Mess, and $6 75@$8 75 for do. prime, ₩ bbl. Prime Mess Beef, $18@$22 ₩ tierce. Beef Hams, $12 50@$15 50 ₩ bbl. Butter is in more demand at unaltered rates: 10c.@16c. for Ohio; 13c.@20c. for common to very good State, and 21c.@24c. for prime to choice do., ₩ lb. Cheese is quiet, yet steady, at 5c.@8c. for common to prime, ₩ lb.

RICE—Sales 50 tcs., in lots, at $3 25@$3 75, according to quality, ₩ 100 lbs.

SALT—Is less freely offered, and is quiet. Prices are somewhat nominal.

SALTPETRE—Crude, 7¼c.@8¼c.; refined, 7¾c. @10c.; Nitrate Soda, 5¾c.@6c. ₩ lb.

SEEDS—Clover, especially new, is scarce and [illegible] at 9¾c.@10c. [illegible] Timothy [illegible]

SPICES—[illegible] Cloves, [illegible] Ginger at [illegible] ₩ lb. Sales by auction to-day: 1,025 mats Cassia [illegible]

SUGARS—Are in request at steady rates. Sales 650 hhds., chiefly Cuba, at 5¼c.@7¼c.; but including some Porto Rico at 7½c.@8½c., and Melado at 4c.@4¼c., ₩ lb.

TALLOW—Sales 22,000 lbs. prime at 10c.@10½c. cash, ₩ lb.

TEAS—Are moderately inquired for, privately, at full and strengthening prices. An auction sale occurred to-day. It was remarkably well attended, and the competition was quite animated. About 4,300 packages found buyers, including Gunpowder, at 37½c.@58c.; Imperial, at 38c.@50c.; Hyson, at 29c.@52c.; Young Hyson, at 26c.@51c.; Hyson Twankay, at 20c.@29½c.; Oolong, at 25c.@40c.; Congou, 28c.@37c.; Souchong, 21½c.; and Twankay at 23½c. @27c. ₩ lb.

TIN—Inactive and somewhat nominal.

WHISKY—Sales 300 barrels, at 22½c.@23c., cash, chiefly at 23c., ₩ gallon; the market closing heavily and languidly, with a large amount available.

FREIGHTS—The business was moderate, and rates tended in favor of shippers. For Liverpool, Cotton, 3-32d. ₩ lb.; Flour, 1s. 9d.@2s. ₩ bbl.; Grain, 5½d.@7d. ₩ bush.; Resin, 2s.@2s. 3d. ₩ bbl.; Beef, 4s.@4s. 3d. ₩ tc., and Heavy Goods, 20s.@25s. ₩ ton. For other ports, proportionate rates. The latest charters have been: a bark, 400 tons, hence with Lumber to a port this side of Valparaiso, thence to load Nitrate of Soda for Cork and a market, at $1,400; one hence to Buenos Ayres, Lumber, $14; a brig, 400 tons, from Sicily to New-York, $2,100; a brig and a schooner from Norfolk to a Windward Island, hhds. Staves, $12; a schooner, 1,000 bbls., hence to a Windward Island, 60c. ₩ bbl.

A BURGLAR CAPTURED.—At 12½ o'clock yesterday morning Officer ROBERTS, of the Eighth Ward, discovered that the boot and shoe store of Mr. WICKSTEAD, No. 329 Canal-street, had been broken open by burglars. He went into the store and succeeded in capturing one of the burglars, a negro, giving his name as GEORGE WILLIAMS. In the possession of the prisoner were a crow-bar and a double-barreled pistol heavily loaded. An accomplice escaped through the attic. The burglars had selected a choice lot of boots and shoes and were preparing to leave with their booty when surprised by the officer. WILLIAMS has been locked up to await an examination.

AUCTION SALES.

E. SCHENCK, Auctioneer.

AUCTION SALE OF RICH FANCY GOODS, TOYS, &c., by order of EDWARD HEN, ASSIGNEE OF JOLLEY & TIERS, AT NO. 43 MAIDEN-LANE, NEW-YORK, ON THURSDAY, Dec. 24, 1857, At 10 o'clock A. M., CONSISTING OF

Ladies' and Gents' Dressing Cases,	Magic Lanterns, Fine Accordeons,
Ladies' Work-Boxes,	Violins,
Reticules,	Tool Chests,
China Vases,	Games, Dominos,
China Figures,	Backgammon Boards,
Jewel Boxes,	Mahogany Bagatelles,
Bronzes,	Toys, in great variety,

Suitable for Christmas and New Year's Presents.
EDWARD HEN, Assignee of Jolley & Tiers.

HENRY H. LEEDS, Auctioneer. Office No. 23 Nassau-st.

H. H. LEEDS & CO. WILL SELL BY auction on THURSDAY, Dec. 24, at 1 o'clock, at the store No. 23 Nassau-st., for account of whom it may concern without reserve, one elegant gold, diamond and ruby bracelet, with lady's watch in it—a first-rate timekeeper; one superb 9 stone diamond bracelet, black enameled. Also, one solid gold (18-karat) real Panama pearl breast-pin.

LOST AND FOUND.

$20 REWARD—IF THE FOLLOWING PAPER is returned before the 28th inst.—Notice is hereby given, that I intend to apply to the Comptroller of the City of New-York, on the 28th December next, for a new certificate of Central Park Stock, in lieu of certificate No. 318 of said stock, issued June [illegible], 1856, for $2,700, payable to me, with interest at 6 per cent. from Feb. 5, 1856, which last-mentioned certificate, No. 318, was lost, destroyed or stolen at the recent fire No. [illegible] William-st., in this City. Dated Dec. [illegible], 1857. JOHN F. [illegible], No. [illegible] William-st.

$50 REWARD.—LOST AT OR IN THE VICINITY of the Academy of Music, on Saturday evening, 19th inst., a gentleman's small DIAMOND BREAST-PIN, a single square or cushion stone set in gold, Gothic pattern, with blue enamel—to which was attached a small guard chain and pin, with ruby head. The pin was valued more as a keepsake than for its real worth. Whoever may have found it, and will return the same to the owner, No. 24 Day-st., shall receive the above reward.

LOST—CERTIFICATE NO. 1,128, DATED NEW-YORK, Nov. 23, 1857, for 100 shares of the capital stock of the Brunswick City Land Company, in the name of NATHANIEL BINNS, of New-York. The public are hereby cautioned against negotiating the same, and the finder will be rewarded on returning it to MEIGS & GREENLEAF, No. 28 William-st., New-York.

LOST OR STOLEN—AT THE ACADEMY OF Music, on Saturday last, a POCKET-BOOK, containing several notes and receipts, also a check of $60, dated Dec. 21, made by Henry W. Law, and indorsed by A. R. Phippen. All persons are cautioned against negotiating the same, as payment has been stopped. The finder will please mail them to Box No. 3,437 Post-Office.

LOST OR MISLAID—A NOTE DRAWN BY Crane, Boylston & Co., dated July 30, 1857, at 9 mos., for $1,732 86, payable to their order and indorsed by them. Payment is stopped. A reward will be paid for returning the same to JOHNSONS & HAMILTON, No. 35 Chambers-st.

LOST—YESTERDAY, BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 4 and 5 P. M., probably in a 5th-av. omnibus, a gold bracelet, name inside, dated Jan. 1, 1853. The finder will please leave it at No. 62 Cedar-st., and receive a suitable reward. S. F. PHELPS.

LOST—AT OR RETURNING FROM THE CHARITY Ball at the Academy of Music, on Tuesday evening, a heavy, gold, link bracelet; possibly dropped in the box, or in 14th st. or 5th-av. A suitable reward will be paid if returned to No. 73 West 11th-st.

LOST.—A DIAMOND BREASTPIN, PEAR SHAPE, single stone, set in gold, supposed in a Broadway and 42d st. stage, or in business streets east of Broadway and in and below Maiden-lane. The finder will be suitably rewarded by calling at No. 101 Pearl-st., up stairs.

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Further contributions will be thankfully received by the members of the Board of Management and Advisory Committee; also by Rev. Dr. Bellows and Rev. Dr. Osgood.

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By virtue of a resolution passed by the Board of Directors, the New-York and Albany Propeller Line offer for sale the entire property of said Company, consisting of the large propeller *E. Corning*, 800 tons burden, built in 1857; also the large propeller *Western World*, 700 tons burden, built in 1856, and the propeller *Hoboken*, 500 tons burden—one large double-deck barge, [illegible], trucks, &c., suitable for an extensive freighting business of live stock, &c., &c. Together with the leases of the piers and wharves in Albany and New-York [illegible].

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The assignees have put their [illegible] a further [illegible] and would invite special attention to their [illegible]

Plain and Fancy Dress Silks,
Irish Poplins, Ducals and Alpacas,
French and English Merinos,
Saxony Plaids,
Cloaks, Shawls,
Linen Damask Table-cloths, Napkins and Doilies,
Blankets, Quilts and Counterpanes,
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Immediate attention is solicited to this sale. It is the greatest chance ever offered to purchasers of Holiday Presents and Goods to replenish the Housekeeper's storeroom.

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300 pieces Twilled Cashmeres, 10c.
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700 Cashmere Broché Scarfs, 2s., worth 6s.
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Together with a great variety of desirable goods, at 50 cents on the Dollar.

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500 Swiss and Cambric sets, 2s.
500 fine Swiss and Cambric sets, 5s.
500 super. Swiss and Cambric sets, from 8s. to 12s.
Real French Swiss and Cambric sets, from $2 to $5.
1,000 Swiss and Cambric Sleeves, 1s. 6d. to 14s.
1,000 Swiss and Cambric Collars, from 12½c. to $3.
1,000 Needlework Linen Cambric and Lawn Handkerchiefs, from 12½c. to $5.

Cambric and Swiss Bands and Flouncing, from 12½c. to $2 50.

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A saving of one half can be effected by purchasing from this sale.

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A splendid assortment of Fur Gloves.

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Large size, full shaped ..... $45@$50
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2,500 Gents' White Linen Cambric Handkerchiefs, at $2 25 per dozen.
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500 Fine Embroidered Cambric Handkerchiefs, $2 each worth $3 50.
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$40 Silk Robes reduced to $32.
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Also, rich Lyons Satins at $1 50 per yard, reduced from $3.

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Super. Black Ribbed Beaver Sleeve Cloaks at $12.
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Chenille Shawls at $5, and $7, half price.
Also, an assortment of Opera Cloaks, very cheap.

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2,000 Double Cambric Collars, 25c. each.
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Also, The balance of our Lace Sets and Collars at a reduction of 60 per cent. during the holiday season.

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Cloaks,	Made from
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PUBLIC MEETINGS.

MASONIC.—THE MEMBERS OF BROOKLYN Lodge No. 288, F. and A. M., are hereby notified that the election for officers will be held THIS EVENING, at their rooms corner of Court and Joralemon sts. By order. JOSEPH C. BRENNAN, W. M.

THE MEMBERS OF PALESTINE LODGE, No. 204, F. & A. M., are hereby notified to attend at their hall, No. 287 Bowery, on THURSDAY EVENING, Dec. 24, at 7½ o'clock, for the election of officers for the ensuing year. By order. H. R. JACKSON, W. M. CHARLES W. OTTERHELL, Secretary.

SENIOR VETERAN CORPS OF 1812 ARE respectfully invited to attend St. Paul's Church, in Broadway, on Christmas Day, the 25th inst., at 10 o'clock A. M. The Corps will assemble at No. 4 City Hall place, to attend in a body to Church, with crape on the hat and medal on the breast. Let every Veteran attend if the weather permits. By order. H. RAYMOND, Colonel. B. ISAACS, [illegible] Adjutant.

CORNER STONE.—THE CORNER STONE OF the new Tabernacle Church, on the corner of Broadway and 34th st., will be laid on FRIDAY, the 25th inst., at 1 o'clock P. M. Rev. Drs. CHEEVER, THOMPSON, BUDINGTON, BURCHARD, CLARK, BUSHNELL and THOMPSON will take part in the exercises. Should the day be inclement the services will be held in the new Lecture Room on the premises.

LAIGHT-STREET BAPTIST SABBATH SCHOOL.—The annual exhibition of this School will be held on FRIDAY (Christmas) EVENING. Exercises to consist of songs, choruses, recitations, &c. No pains have been spared to make the exhibition attractive and entertaining. To commence at 7 o'clock. Admission 25 cents; Children 12 cents.

LADIES' FAIR.—A FAIR FOR THE SALE OF useful and fancy articles will be held in the basement of the Reformed Dutch Church of East New-York, L. I., on CHRISTMAS DAY AND EVENING, the proceeds of which are to be devoted to church purposes. East New-York may be reached via Fulton-av. cars or Myrtle-av. stages, or Long Island Railroad.

LADIES' FAIR OF THE BLOOMINGDALE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.—At Knickerbocker Hall, 8th-av., corner of 23d-st., on WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY, day and evening, Dec. 23 and 24. A splendid assortment of useful and fancy articles, suitable for presents, will be for sale. Choice refreshments will be provided. Admission 25 cents. Children half price. Tickets for sale at the door.

THE LADIES' HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, will hold a Christmas Festival for their Orphans' Home Mission on CHRISTMAS DAY, in the Ware School Building, No. 401 Cherry-st., between Jackson and Scammel sts. Admission free. Exercises to commence at 2 o'clock.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION.—IN FIRST M. E. Church, Brooklyn, at 10½ A. M. Very interesting exercises by a company of children from the Five Points Mission, also from Red Hook Mission, and addresses by Rev. Daniel Wise and R. B. Coleman, Esq. Admission Free.

CHURCH NOTICE.—REV. HENRY [illegible] CHARD will preach THIS EVENING [illegible] Eve, Dec. 24, at the Church of the [illegible] rea-place, Brooklyn, services commencing at [illegible]

RIGHT REV. H. J. WHITEHOUSE, D. D., Bishop of Illinois, will preach on CHRISTMAS DAY at Zion Church, corner of Madison-av. and 38th st. Service at 10½ o'clock A. M.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

The last day's session of Congress, previous to the holiday vacation, was marked by interesting proceedings in both Houses. The Kansas debate was continued in the Senate—Mr. STUART, Democratic member from Michigan, and Mr. BRODERICK, Democratic member from California, making speeches in opposition to the views of the President. The latter, in the course of his remarks, said that he thought the President and his Cabinet alone responsible for the recent outbreaks in Kansas. Some reminiscences of New-York politics were brought out, in the course of a conversational debate with Messrs. DOOLITTLE and PRESTON KING. In the House Mr. WARREN again brought up his preamble and resolution, proposing to exclude Mr. BERNHISEL, the Delegate from Utah—this time as a question of privilege. The resolution requires the Committee on Territories to inquire into the propriety of the measure. After considerable debate a motion to table was negatived, and the preamble and resolutions were passed by a strong vote. So much of the President's Message as refers to Utah affairs was also referred to the Committee on Territories.

Secretary CASS' reply to Governor WALKER, accepting the latter's resignation of the Governorship of Kansas, is published this morning. It is quite brief, and makes no pretensions to answering the arguments of Governor Walker.

Secretary CASS' letter of instructions to Gen. DENVER, the new Secretary and acting Governor of Kansas, is also published this morning. It is important, inasmuch as it embodies the views of the Administration on the whole Kansas question as now presented. It severely animadverts upon the action of Secretary STANTON in assembling the Legislature, as throwing a new element of discord among the excited people of Kansas, and details the means at disposal for suppressing all attempts at disturbance. The Legislature is to be protected in its deliberations, although no action it may see fit to take, in the opinion of the Administration, can interfere with the elections provided for by the Constitutional Convention.

The telegraph brings us still later advices from Kansas. The Legislature, it is stated, had passed an act providing for the submission of the Lecompton Constitution to the people on the 4th of January, in three forms: 1. Constitution with Slavery; 2. Constitution without Slavery; 3. Against the Constitution. The most stringent measures had been adopted to prevent illegal voting on the 21st. A Free-State man named LA[illegible] had been killed in an affray at Doniphan. There was no truth in the report that Gen. LANE had been shot.

An express from the Utah Expedition brings intelligence of the concentration of the whole force, with the exception of Colonel COOK'S command, at Black Fork, from which point they were moving very slowly towards Fort Bridger. The teams were giving out hourly, and it was thought all the animals would perish during the Winter. The supply trains were all up, and provisions were plenty.

We publish an interesting letter from Mr. THOS. ALLIBONE, late President of the Bank of Pennsylvania, written from Nice, in defence of himself against the charges of being a defaulter and absconding debtor to the Bank. The letter is addressed to his brother, residing in Philadelphia, and is by him communicated to the Press for publication. Mr. ALLIBONE expresses extreme mortification and surprise at the charges made against him in the affidavit of the Directors of the Bank; declares that he had no idea that he was at all indebted to the Bank; that he was never engaged in speculation; that, on leaving the country, he gave a power of attorney to two friends, one of whom, Mr. FELL, was President pro tem. of the Bank, authorizing them to sell real estate to meet demands against him; and adds, that absconding debtors do not usually take their families with them, as he did. Mr. ALLIBONE'S announcement that the suspicions excited against him have preyed upon his health, is confirmed by the statement of his attending physician in Nice, and the tone of the letter tends to induce the belief that Mr. A. is in reality suffering in mind and body.

A Swiss, named ALBERT STOUBE, is supposed to have murdered his wife and children at Westfield, Mass. The children were found in bed with their throats cut, and Mrs. STOUBE was lying on the floor, also with her throat cut. STOUBE, whose clothes were found on the premises covered with blood, was seen to leave the house a week ago last Tuesday, and it is thought the murders were perpetrated the night previous. The neighbors discovered the bodies by climbing up to the chamber window.

Mrs. LITTLE and her brother IRA STOUT, in accordance with the finding of the Coroner's Jury in the Rochester murder case, have been held for trial. The investigation closed yesterday noon.

The Court of Pardons of New-Jersey yesterday refused to pardon DONNELLY, who killed MOORE at the Seaview House, or to commute his sentence to imprisonment for life. There is no further hope for him, and he will be hanged on the 8th of January.

The Board of Aldermen passed an ordinance last evening giving the Mayor power to appoint, and the Aldermen to confirm the appointment of bell-ringers on the fire-alarm towers.

In the Board of Councilmen, on Wednesday evening, no business of great interest was transacted. The Board hesitated as to paying the landlord of Tammany $250 for refreshments to the police detailed by Mayor WOOD to the City Hall on the 17th of June for his special protection, and for the maintenance of the peace generally.

The Board of Education met yesterday and adopted the report of the Finance Committee after a warm debate. Appended to the report was a series of resolutions, one of which declared that the Board would adhere to its original estimates, the Comptroller having overlooked one important item, when he declared that the account was overdrawn. A paragraph which seemed to reflect upon the motives of the Comptroller was stricken out before the report was adopted.

The bills of the medical gentlemen who made microscopic and chemical examinations of blood in the Burdell case were favorably reported upon in the Board of Aldermen yesterday, and after having been reduced one half by the Board, were allowed.

By order of the United States Marshal, SAMUEL [illegible], sold at auction, yesterday morning, at their store, No. 81 Nassau-street, about 20,000 cigars, [illegible] with other confiscated property.

Yesterday, in the Court of General Sessions, [illegible], indicted for arson in the first degree, pleaded guilty to an attempt at arson in the second degree. Sentence reserved till to-day. GEORGE MCINTYRE, a confederate of the Italians TOPPIANO and DORANO, who were convicted of robbing a man named HANIFAN, in Chatham-street, was placed on trial. He was convicted of assault and battery with intent to rob, and sentenced to one year in the Penitentiary. A boy of respectable appearance, only sixteen years old, named [illegible] DONOHUE, was tried for highway robbery in [illegible]-street, on November 14th, and was convicted of an assault and battery with intent to rob. He will be sentenced to-day. ROBERT HARRISON, for grand larceny, was sent to the State Prison for three years and six months. WILLIAM CLINTON, a youth, pleaded guilty to burglary in the third degree, and was sentenced to four years and nine months in the State Prison. JOHN LAWSON, another youth, pleaded guilty to the same offence, but not being an old offender, he escaped with a milder punishment—two years in the Penitentiary. JOHN KELLY, charged also with the same offence, was acquitted. The Grand Jury made the following presentment relative to the recent murders in William and Water streets:

GRAND JURY ROOM, NEW-YORK, Dec. 23, 1857.

The Grand Jury, for the December term of the Court of Sessions, respectfully present, that there have been two cases presented before them for the crime of murder, committed in William-street and Water-street, where no parties are under arrest for the crime committed, and upon evidence before them they have reason to believe a suitable reward would bring the perpetrators to light, and request that such reward be offered by the public authorities for that purpose.

WM. HABIRSHAW, Foreman.

W. M. HALSTEAD, JR., Secretary.

Recorder SMITH replied that he would send this presentment to the Mayor, who alone had power to offer a reward. He considered the suggestion worthy of attention.

The Democracy of the City had a good time last night in Tammany. They met to the number of a thousand or more, and indorsed the President's Message and the policy of his Administration, especially in relation to Kansas affairs. Hon. JOHN VAN BUREN reviewed, in terms of censure, the recent conduct of the "Little Giant," of Illinois, on the Lecompton embroilment. Speeches were also made to the same effect by Hon. RICHARD BUSTEED, General WALBRIDGE, Mr. W. BROWNE and others. There was considerable disturbance at the commencement of the evening, caused by some indiscreet friends of Mayor WOOD, who were intent on breaking up the meeting. They were overruled in their intention.

The suspected fillibusters arrested on Tuesday by the United States Marshal turned out to be an honest craft, in command of an honest captain, and bound upon a legitimate voyage to Cuba—with men and material to complete a railroad commenced there a year ago. She was discharged, and to make amends for the detention was towed to sea again by the Marshal, and sent on her way rejoicing.

The Commissioners of Emigration met yesterday. It will be remembered that about fifteen months ago Captain COOKE, of the Emerald, was prosecuted by the Commissioners for a violation of the law in landing thirteen passengers at some pier off the North River, instead of at Castle Garden. The Captain contested the right of the Commissioners to enforce the fine. A verdict was obtained against him. The case is now in the hands of the Sheriff upon judgment for the amount of penalties and costs—about $810. The captain now makes application to the Commissioners to remit the penalties, amounting to $650, or to reduce them to $150, stating his inability to pay any more. The Commissioners, in view of the circumstance, and considering that the law had been sufficiently vindicated, (the costs, $160, remaining to be paid,) granted the prayer of the petitioner. The usual appropriations for Christmas celebrations at Ward's Island were made.

Fifty odd thousand cigars were seized by the Customs in August last as smuggled goods. The owner sued for the recovery of the cigars, as being of domestic manufacture. The case was held yesterday in the Superior Court, Judge BETTS presiding, and the cigars were released.

Ward School No. 31, located at No. 200 Monroe-street, was reopened, yesterday, with appropriate exercises, the entire day being occupied for that purpose. Music, by the children, under the direction of Mr. G. W. PETIT, and addresses by Rev. Dr. SAMUEL OSGOOD, RICHARD BUSTEED, Esq., and others, filled the programme. An entire revolution has been effected in the Seventh Ward in educational matters. While WOOD carried the Ward by 70 votes, the People's Ticket for School officers was elected by 300 majority.

The Coroner's investigation in the case of PATRICK VAUGHN, who was shot by a policeman of the Eleventh Ward on the night of the last Charter election, for creating a disturbance in the Eighth Election District, was brought to a close yesterday. The Jury brought in a verdict exonerating the officer from blame.

Officer VAN TASSEL, a special aid to the Superintendent of Police, was arrested yesterday charged with stealing tickets at the Nursery Ball at the Academy of Music, Tuesday evening, disposing of them to outsiders at half price and pocketing the proceeds. He has been temporarily discharged from the department, and will be brought before the Police Commissioners on Saturday for examination. Mr. VAN TASSEL was a member of the old Municipal Police.

ANNE CORBETT, of Forty-second-street, was arrested yesterday, charged with strangling to death her twin infants. She had been married but five months.

The General Markets, yesterday, were somewhat brisker and firmer for Flour, which was less urgently pressed on buyers. Wheat was in moderate demand; parties, however, disagreed about prices, and the sales were restricted. With large receipts of new Corn, chiefly from the South, this kind declined,—while old Corn, which was scarce, advanced. The sales of all descriptions reached 23,000 bushels. Pork was dull and somewhat cheaper. A livelier business was transacted in Beef and Lard, at previous figures. Cut Meats were plenty, heavy and drooping. Groceries were quiet, in the regular way. The auction sales of Coffee and Teas resulted satisfactorily. Cotton continued depressed and tended downward. Freights exhibited no remarkable change. The number of vessels in port was 673, of all classes.

At the Cattle Markets yesterday there was a fair supply of very fine Beef Cattle. The numbers showed a slight falling off in the supply, as might be expected on poultry week. The better qualities of stock secured a slight rise in the price, but poorer animals scarcely found purchasers at former quotations, and the yards were not entirely cleared last night.

The West Washington Market Investigation Committee met again, yesterday, when Mr. O'REILLY, the person making the charges, was put under oath, and testified that nearly all he had stated was "on hearsay." There was a large amount of testimony taken, much of which was interesting, and the Committee adjourned to meet at 2 P. M. to-day.

The first election of officers for the Brooklyn Mercantile Library Association took place last evening. There were two tickets run—one called the "Regular," with the name of LEWIS ROBERTS for President, and the other, an "Independent" ticket, with the name of HENRY HILL for President. The election was warmly contested, but the best of good feeling prevailed throughout. The fact of there being an opposition ticket probably made a much heavier vote than otherwise would have been the case. Of course the Treasury was benefited, the Secretary having received during the day about $2,000. The total vote cast was 397, of which number LEWIS ROBERTS received 268, and HENRY HILL 129. Pending the counting of the votes an impromptu meeting was held, when speeches were made by most of the candidates on both tickets and others, all of whom pledged a hearty support to the successful candidates.

DOCTORS DIFFERING.—It is sometimes pleasant to find people who *ought* to be well informed, quite as ignorant as those upon whom no such official obligation is imposed. It is very difficult to find, in the community at large, two persons who agree as to the causes and the probable duration of the financial crisis. It seems that in the Senate of the United States there is quite as radical a difference of sentiment as elsewhere upon this subject. For example, in the recent debate upon the issue of Treasury notes, Senator SEWARD said:

"In my judgment, the acceleration of business is going to be rapid just in proportion to the rapidity with which business has declined; and I expect to see every day, and every hour of every day, marked *by a rise in the prosperity of the country, graduated just exactly by the suddenness of the depression.* The causes of the disaster are gone. I think there is nothing before us but a great revival of business and plethora of money to revive it in all departments. I may be mistaken in this, but I am willing to stand by it."

This is a hopeful view of the case,—and if it were the one generally entertained by the members of that distinguished body the country might take courage at the prospect of renewed prosperity. But Senator DIXON, on the other hand, took precisely an opposite view of the matter:

"I wish I could believe, with the distinguished Senator from New-York, that this evil was entirely temporary, and that the recovery would be as rapid as the fall. I hope it is true of the State of New-York, which he represents here; but in that part of New-England from which I come, in the State of Connecticut, the troubles of the day are by no means over. Indeed, sir, if not at their height and intensity, there is no more than an appearance of recovery. The only want of money is for liquidation, for the payment of debts. The banks have money. They can loan money to-day; but the difficulty with them is to find paper of a business character on which they think it safe to make their loans. There is no apparent relief thus far from what we have already suffered. I am in hopes that the brilliant prospect pointed out by the Senator from New-York will prove to be true; but I think that when we stand here one year hence we shall find that then the recovery has only commenced."

These opinions and predictions are exactly the reverse of each other—and time alone can decide which is correct. The hopes of the public will be on the side of the New-York Senator, and their fears with Mr. DIXON.

The Mormons in Congress.

The House of Representatives, yesterday, adopted a resolution declaring the Territory of Utah to be in a state of rebellion against the United States, and directing an inquiry into the propriety of excluding the delegate of that Territory from a seat in the House. This action strikes us as being much more hasty than wise. It is like most of the anti-Mormon movements,—the result of impulse rather than of good policy or common sense. It would puzzle ordinary men, we suspect, to explain why a hostile army was sent against *Utah at the outset.* There were undoubted disorders in the affairs of the Territory:—but it has never yet been shown that they were such as could only be remedied by fire and sword.

The only evidence the House *professes* to have to establish the fact that Utah is in a state of rebellion, is found in the *proclamation of BRIGHAM YOUNG. But YOUNG is not* the Territory—nor, in any legal sense, its representative. He is the agent and deputy *of the Government of the United States* in Utah. He was appointed Governor by the Executive and Senate; he receives his instructions from Washington and, in the eye of the Constitution and the presumption of the law, he is a Federal officer, exercising authority over, but in no sense representing, the Territory of Utah. He has proclaimed a purpose to resist the advance of Federal troops. This is a good reason for removing him from office, for arresting him, for bringing him to trial, and for inflicting upon him such punishment as he may deserve.

But why should the *delegate* of the people of Utah be excluded from Congress for the misconduct of a Federal officer? The people may or may not sympathize with YOUNG and support him in his rebellious demonstration. Until the contrary is shown it is to be presumed that they will not. And they are entitled by the Constitution to have a delegate upon the floor of Congress to represent their interests, to defend their character and to protect their rights from unjust encroachment. If the member from Utah has personally connected himself with the rebellion, then he should not only be expelled, but arrested and put upon his trial. But if not, there is no reason whatever for excluding him from his seat and depriving his constituents of the representation guaranteed to them by the Constitution.

The whole Utah business has been mismanaged in the most extraordinary manner from the beginning; and if it does not end in open and bloody rebellion, it is not likely to be saved from that issue by any special wisdom on the part of the General Government.

Governor Walker and General Cass.

It is generally considered a safe rule, when you have nothing to say, to say nothing. General CASS was never famous for practising upon it,—having been for many years in the habit of saying most, when he really had the least to say. One would have supposed that in the case of WALKER'S letter the rule would have been found so convenient, as well as so prudent, that it would secure its own observance. General CASS, however, goes just far enough to show his contempt for the rule, without justifying that feeling on his part in the least. He first proves the impropriety of answering Governor WALKER'S argument, and then proceeds to answer it.

General CASS insists that when the President insisted upon the submission of the Constitution to the people of Kansas, he intended only the question of Slavery:—and that he is, therefore, not now inconsistent with himself in withholding all other questions from their action. It is undoubtedly true that the question of Slavery was the principal question at issue in the contest which followed the repeal of the Missouri Compromise. But it certainly is not the only question of interest to the people of a new State: and it is difficult to conceive any valid reason why they should be deprived of the right of self-government upon all other topics.

Meantime the contest upon this principle waxes warm in the Senate. Two Senators, Messrs. STUART, of Michigan, and BRODERICK, of California, yesterday declared their resolute hostility to the Lecompton movement and their adhesion to the principle that the entire Constitution ought to be submitted to the popular vote.

Congress has adjourned for the holidays. When that season is over, and the election returns are received from Kansas, the controversy will be renewed with redoubled warmth.

THE ABSCONDING PRESIDENT OF THE BANK OF PENNSYLVANIA.—The letter of Mr. ALLIBONE, the absent President of the Bank of Pennsylvania, who has been advertised as a defaulter, which was published yesterday by his brother, is a most remarkable document. Mr. ALLIBONE left Philadelphia after the suspension of specie payments by the Philadelphia Banks, and was highly complimented by the directors, on his departure; but he had been absent only a few weeks when the announcement was made that he had robbed the bank of enormous sums, and brought it to the wretched condition in which it was proved to be, by his fraudulent conduct. He now asseverates his perfect innocence of the charges made against him, and declares his readiness and anxiety to return immediately and submit to an investigation the moment his physicians will consent to his undertaking the journey. The letter will, of course, elicit a statement from the directors in justification of their charges against him.

HIGHLY INTERESTING AND IMPORTANT.—An auctioneer advertises the sale of the plate chest of the Duke of BUCKINGHAM, with all his silver, and persons ambitious of possessing a piece of plate with a ducal coronet upon it are invited to attend the auction. What Duke of BUCKINGHAM it is whose silver with the engraved coronet upon it is to be sold we are not informed, nor do we know whether it be that unfortunate Duke whose head was so summarily ordered "off" by King RICHARD the Third, or that other Duke whose wretched death has been so untruly poetized by POPE, or his present Grace, who was in difficulties not many years ago. But if anybody has an ambition to possess a piece of plate with a ducal coronet upon it, nothing can be more easily done. Any engraver will engrave a symbol of the kind for a few dimes, and add the crest of any duke that may be desired, even that of a royal duke. Of course no American would value a piece of old silver any higher for having engraved upon it another man's initials, or crest, even though he were a duke.

THE NEW GUANO ISLANDS.—A practical result has at length produced the discovery of the Kooria Mooria guano group. These islands situated off the coast of Arabia, were discovered about two years ago by Captain ORD, a British officer, who obtained a lease or grant of them from the Imaum of Muscat. An examination of the guano was made at the time, and it was found to be most valuable. Several vessels were accordingly sent out from England; but while they were in the act of loading, the men were driven off by hostile Arabs, who appeared in great numbers. The ships were compelled to return to England; but upon representation being made to the British Government, the presence of a war vessel at the Kooria Mooria group was granted, and the ships again started. They arrived at their destination early in October last, and, according to accounts just *received, have been very successful. On the 4th* of October, Captain ORD, the discoverer of the islands, left for Muscat, where he arrived on the *9th, with the view of procuring labor.* He had obtained about 150 strong men, with provisions and cable, and proposed returning to the islands in a few days in a native craft that he had chartered for the purpose. There were then at the islands some seven or eight merchant vessels, waiting to load, under the protection of her Majesty's ship-of-war *Cordelia.* Captain ORD speaks in the highest terms of his prospects, and says that on the Island of Jiblea alone there are not less than 500,000 tons of good guano, fully equal to the Peruvian. The successful working of the Kooria Mooria will withdraw British trade from the Chinchas, and the competition will probably force the Peruvian Government to lower the enormous charges that it has hitherto arbitrarily imposed upon this agricultural necessity.

We are requested to state that the Belmont and British Art Collections will be open on Christmas day and evening.

Musical.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.—"Robert le Diable" was played last night to a moderate house. On Friday there will be a morning performance of "Norma," and in the evening of HANDEL'S Oratorio of the "Messiah."

ST. STEPHENS' CHURCH.—A new Grand Mass, written by Mr. CHAS. WELS for the musical resources of this Church, will be performed on Christmas morning for the first time.

LATEST INTELLIGENCE.

By Telegraph to the New-York Times.

Magnetic Telegraph Co.'s Offices—No. 21 Wall-st., and 431 Broadway.

Important from the Utah Expedition.

CONCENTRATION OF THE FORCES—SLOW PROGRESS—THE ANIMALS GIVING OUT, ETC.

ST. LOUIS, Wednesday, Dec. 23.

An express just arrived at Leavenworth from the Utah Expedition brings information that the whole force, with the exception of Colonel COOK and his command, had concentrated at Black's Fork, and were moving towards Fort Bridger. Their progress was very slow, only two or three miles a day being sometimes made. The animals were giving out hourly, and it was thought that all would perish this Winter. The supply trains were all up with the military, and provisions were abundant.

The report that two companies of infantry had met with reverses on the route to Utah is without foundation.

Five companies of Colonel SUMNER'S Regiment (the First Cavalry) had recently taken up Winter quarters at Fort Riley.

Communication with Newfoundland by Telegraph and Mail.

The line hence to St. John's, N. F., is again in efficient operation. All European messages dated 4th and 5th inst., received here per *Canada,* were sent through to Newfoundland in time to answer the purposes for which they were intended.

The Government of Newfoundland has arranged with the Cunard Company to run a steamer fortnightly to Newfoundland during the Winter season, leaving Halifax, as usual, after the arrival of the steamers from Liverpool and Boston.

Donnelly Refused a Pardon or a Commutation of Sentence.

TRENTON, N. J., Wednesday, Dec. 23.

The Court of Pardons have, after a whole day's session, denied a pardon to DONNELLY, or a commutation of the sentence of death against him to imprisonment for life. The Court were greatly moved at having to come to this decision, and the shock fell heavily on the numerous friends of the prisoner who were present. There is now no other hope for him, and he will be hanged on the 8th of January next.

The Pittsburg, Fort Wayne and Chicago Railroad.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Wednesday, Dec. 23.

The Mayor of this city has addressed a letter to the President of the Pittsburg, Fort Wayne and Chicago Railroad, forbidding the laying of tracks along the streets of the city to form a junction with the Pennsylvania Railroad. The President replies, claiming the right under an act of the Legislature and a decision of the Supreme Court, and intimating that in the absence of a compromise the company will have no alternative but to complete their track at once.

Horrible Murder in Westfield, Mass.

WESTFIELD, Mass., Wednesday, Dec. 23.

The wife and children of ALBERT STOUBE were found this morning murdered in their house. The children were in bed with their throats cut, and Mrs. STOUBE was lying on the floor with her throat cut. They are supposed to have been murdered a week ago, Monday night. Mr. STOUBE'S clothes were found covered with blood. He was seen to leave the house last Tuesday, since which time nothing has been seen of him. The neighbors, suspecting something wrong had occurred, climbed up to the bedroom window, and discovered the murder. STOUBE was a native of Switzerland, and a cigar maker by trade.

Oration by Edward Everett—Resignation of Mr. Banks.

BOSTON, Wednesday, Nov. 23.

Over one thousand dollars were realized last night to the friends of the Boston Provident Association, in aid of the poor, by Hon. EDWARD EVERETT'S oration in the Music Hall.

Governor GARDNER has received the resignation of Hon. N. P. BANKS, as Representative in Congress from the Seventh District.

Verdict in the Rochester Murder Case.

ROCHESTER, Wednesday, Dec. 23.

The Coroner's inquest in the Little murder case, closed this noon. The verdict holds SARAH LITTLE, the murdered man's wife, and her brother, IRA STOUT, for trial.

United States Supreme Court.

WASHINGTON, Wednesday, Dec. 23.

No. 13.—Amos Wade *vs.* James Leroy, *et al.*—Argument for plaintiff concluded.

The Southern Mail.

WASHINGTON, Wednesday, Dec. 23.

The mail from all parts South, as late as due, is to hand, but it brings no news of importance.

The Board of Education.

The Board met yesterday, at 5½ P. M., the President, ANDREW H. GREEN, Esq., in the Chair.

The certificate of DAVID T. VALENTINE, Clerk of the Common Council, specifying the names of the school officers elected at the Charter Election was read and ordered to be filed.

The Report of the Finance Committee was read:

To the Board of Education:

The Finance Committee to whom was referred a communication from the Board, designated by the 26th section of the act entitled "An act to amend the Charter of the City of New-York," passed April 14, 1857, presenting their objections to the estimate of the Board of Education for the year 1858, respectfully report: That they have carefully examined the matter, and find the facts to be as follows:

The estimate as adopted by the Board of Education, on the 4th day of November last, contained the following paragraph, embodying the material part of the document:

"And the Board of Education hereby reports, that after deducting from the said amount of $1,128,000, the sum stated in the notice referred to in the 14th section of the act entitled 'An act to amend, consolidate and reduce to one act, the various acts relative to the Common Schools of the City of New-York,' passed July 3, 1851, and the several sums of money directed to be raised by the 15th section of the same act, the said Board estimates that the balance will be 'the amount over and above the sum specified in the 15th section' of the said act, 'which will be required during the year for the purpose of meeting the current annual expenses of public instruction in said City, for purchasing, leasing and procuring sites, for erecting buildings, and for furnishing, fitting up, altering and repairing the buildings and premises under their charge, and for the support of schools which shall have been organized since the last annual apportionment of school moneys made by the Board.'"

In their objections, the Revisory Board make the following statement:

"The 15th section of the same act (July 3, 1851) provides that the Board of Supervisors shall annually raise by tax a sum of money equal to the amount apportioned to the County of New-York, for the support of Common Schools therein. This amount is as follows:

From the U. S. Dep. and Com. School fund	$[illegible] 49
From the three-quarter mill-tax fund	1[illegible],345 06
Total	$[illegible] 55

The same section also provides that there shall be raised a sum equal to one-twentieth of one per cent. of the value of the real and personal property in the said City. The valuation for the year 1857 is $[illegible],[illegible],303 39. One-twentieth of one per cent. on this sum is $[illegible],272 64.

The whole amount thus authorized to be raised by the Supervisors for the support of Common Schools in this City is then as follows:

By the 15th section, from apportionment	$312,[illegible] 55
By the 15th section, from 1-20th of 1 per cent.	[illegible],272 64
By the [illegible] section, from $4 per scholar	[illegible],[illegible] 00
Total	$1,018,[illegible] 19
The estimate of the Board of Education calls for	1,128,012 00
Making an excess of their estimate of	$109,[illegible] 81"

The only difficulty is that in the document of the Revisory Board, although it expressly recognizes the apportionment of State moneys to this City to the amount of $312,889 55, and that the Supervisors are also required to raise an equal amount by tax, the amount is only included once. Correcting this error, and assuming that the figures of the Revisory Board are right, the account will stand as follows:

Amount of apportionment from State	$312,889 55
Equal amount to be raised by County	312,889 55
Tax of 1-20th of one per cent.	2[illegible],272 64
Total amount of fixed funds	$[illegible],051 74
Amount called for by the Board of Education	1,128,012 00
Balance to be raised by Supervisors	$[illegible],961 26
Limit fixed by statute, being $4 per scholar	[illegible],[illegible] 00
Excess of limit over amount called for	$[illegible],[illegible] 74

The fact is, therefore, that instead of the estimate of the Board of Education being $109,902 81 over the amount authorized by law, it is $[illegible] 74 *under that amount!* It is to be regretted that the Comptroller has not only caused the estimate of the Board to be returned under an allegation that it was in excess of the legal limit, but has also, in an official communication to the Common Council, previous to such return, stated that the Board of Education had overrun its legal bounds, without extending to the Board of Education, or to any of its officers, the courtesy of a request to explain the supposed excess. The Comptroller has put himself in a position of giving color to a clamor against the Board of Education, which is generally made by those who are too ignorant of the extent and operation of the School system of this City, and the details of its expenses. It is a grateful service to such persons for an officer of personal character and high position to make an unfounded statement in relation to the Board of Education, necessarily subjecting it to the imputation of at least gross improvidence; but it may not be as acceptable to considerate citizens, who realize the vast importance of our educational system to the people of this City, and their children, for countless generations.

The Revisory Board "also object to the item of $125,000 for arrearages of 1854, on the ground that there cannot be levied in the year 1858 a sum exceeding $4 per scholar, as previously stated." This item was included in the estimate because in the proceedings of the Board of Education against the Comptroller, the Supreme Court decided that only in such way could the deficiency of the year 1854, to meet which the Common Council of that year authorized an "advance" of $125,000, be finally satisfied, and the school revenues relieved from the embarrassment which the carrying of that deficiency from year to year occasioned. The right of the Board of Education to have a deficiency in any year satisfied, if it was unavoidable, and the whole amount claimed for the year was within the limitation of four dollars a scholar fixed by the school law, was expressly recognised. As the moneys raised for 1854 were within the limit for that year, by a sum nearly three times as large as the said amount of $125,000, it was supposed that such amount would, under the decision, be raised as a deficiency of 1854, even though, if added to the amount of school moneys estimated for 1858, it caused an excess of the limit for the latter year. As the Revisory Board object to the raising of any amount in the next tax levy above the limit of 1858, it is probably better to reduce the present claim on account of the deficiency of 1854 from $125,000 to $100,000, which latter amount will be within the limit that the Board of Education is allowed to call for on account of the year 1858.

For the purpose of maintaining the validity of the estimate for 1858, and to carry out these views, the Committee recommend the adoption of the following preamble and resolutions:

Whereas, The estimate of the moneys necessary to be raised for the purposes authorized by the provisions of the act entitled, "An act to amend, consolidate and reduce to one act the various acts relative to the Common Schools of the City of New-York," passed July 3, 1851, was duly made by the Board of Education, and submitted to the Board constituted for that purpose by the 26th section of the act entitled, "An act entitled to amend the Charter of the City of New-York," passed April 14, 1857; and the said Board have disapproved of the same and returned it, with objections, to the Board of Education; and whereas the said estimate has been reconsidered by the Board of Education, and the said objections have also been fully considered; therefore,

Resolved, That the Board of Education hereby adheres to its said original estimate, as submitted to the Board constituted by the 26th section of the act entitled, "An act to amend the Charter of the City of New-York," passed April 14, 1857, except that the amount included therein to satisfy a deficiency "of the School moneys of 1854, to meet the necessary expenses of the same period," is hereby reduced from $125,000 to $100,000.

Resolved, That the estimate specified in the preceding resolution, be returned to the Board designated in the said resolution, and that a copy of this report, preamble and resolutions, with a certificate stating that the preamble and resolutions were adopted, and the said estimate adhered to by a vote of two-thirds of all the members of the Board of Education then in office; and stating, also, the names of the members voting thereon, be properly authenticated in duplicate and transmitted to the Board designated in the preceding resolution, and to the Board of Supervisors.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

NELSON J. WATERBURY,
JOHN HOOPER,
ALBERT SMITH,
GEORGE H. CLARK,
RICHARD C. FELLOWS,
Finance Committee.

The President left the Chair, and spoke against the report, characterizing it as indecorous.

Commissioner WATERBURY defended the report. The Comptroller's action had done a great deal of injury to the Board and to the cause of education. No one of the Committee, however, intended to charge the Comptroller with an intentional misstatement.

Commissioner TWEED said everybody knew that everything was in a state of chaos in the Comptroller's office; there were many vouchers not to be found there, and no head and no tail in the office.

After some further debate, Commissioner WATERBURY stated that the Finance Committee had agreed to amend the language of the report, so that it should not seem to reflect upon the Comptroller. He read the amended portion.

Commissioner GREEN thought there was still a reflection there upon the Comptroller. He moved that one entire paragraph be stricken out. The motion was lost by a vote of 9 to 24.

The previous question was ordered, the report received, and the resolutions adopted by a large majority. The vote on the adoption of the resolution stood 31 in the affirmative, and 3 in the negative.

Commissioner WATERBURY offered a resolution authorizing the application of the surplus of funds set apart for specified objects towards defraying other expenses, if such surplus should in any case exist. The resolution was adopted.

A resolution presented by Commissioner DAVENPORT, amending the bye-laws so as to require the teachers in the day and evening schools to attend the Saturday Normal School, was adopted.

Commissioner WATERBURY presented a resolution directing that the primary schools be renumbered. It was adopted.

The report of the Executive Committee on Normal Schools was presented, adopted and ordered to be printed.

The Board then adjourned to Wednesday next.

We learn that MARTIN L. SYKES, Esq., late Vice-President of the Hudson River Railroad Co., has been appointed to a like post on the Chicago and Milwaukee Railroad. The Company has made a fortunate selection.

INTERESTING FROM KANSAS.

Proceedings of the Legislature—Protest of the Excluded Members—Proposed Action Upon the Election.

LAWRENCE, Monday, Dec. 14, 1857.

The Legislature has only got ready to do the work for which they were convened, and a bill will probably be offered to-day, that will embody the essentials. On Saturday the Council took up the case of the Leavenworth County contestants, and it resulted the same as with the House, in throwing out the Pro-Slavery members holding certificates, and admitting the contestants, who were immediately sworn in. This gives a very large majority to the Free-State men in both branches.

A militia law has passed both branches, that repeals the old law, and provides for a complete organization under our officers, thus giving us for the first time the command of the Government armory for this Territory.

On Saturday afternoon a protest was received in the Assembly from the ousted members from Leavenworth District. Its language was so indecorous that objection was at first made to allowing it to be spread upon the journal, but such objections were afterwards withdrawn, with the understanding that [illegible] rejoinder would be placed there also. The following is the document:

To the Legislative Assembly of Kansas Territory:

The undersigned respectfully represent that they and their colleagues (five in number) were duly elected members of your body at the last October election for the county of Leavenworth; that they severally received their certificates of election from the Governor of the Territory, and appeared and took the oath of office, and entered upon their duties as members at the opening of the present extra session; that on the day following the organization of the Assembly, a notice was served upon us by JOHN SPEER, chairman of the Committee to whom was referred the *Leavenworth* contested case, to appear at an hour then named, and answer the charges of the contestants; that we repaired to the place appointed as soon as other engagements would permit, and found *your Committee then in session,* and receiving as testimony *ex parte* affidavits in the language and handwriting of a feed attorney; that no other testimony not apparent upon the record was introduced; that the report was made at the opening of the next morning session, and a motion immediately made to adopt the report, and after we had made our opening remarks in defence, and urged the House for a postponement until the regular session, the contestants spoke for themselves and by counsel in lengthy arguments until the House adjourned, and immediately on assembling in the afternoon the *previous question* was sprung, and only withdrawn at the special request of the chairman of the Committee, to defend his report in a lengthy speech; and notwithstanding we claimed the right to be heard in reply, the rule was enforced, and we were cut off and the report was accepted, and by a resolution immediately passed we were expelled, and the contestants were permitted to take their seats; that the facts and papers show that this proceeding was founded upon a paper signed by no one, and written in the handwriting of an attorney; that no notice, either of a contest or for taking depositions, as required by the 26th section of the 66th chapter of the Kansas Statutes, was ever served on either of us, or any notice, except to appear before the House Committee, by notice, upon the undersigned, as above stated; that no time was given us to prepare a defence, procure testimony, or compare papers; that we believe the whole proceeding a high-handed outrage upon the rights of the people since the days of Salem witchcraft, and therefore protest against the action of the Committee, and the final action of the House. The assumption that the Legislature has the right to judge of the qualifications of its own members is false, unless under the direction of law regulating such matters; and that assumption carried out may disfranchise and revolutionize the whole Territory, and reënact the scenes of bloodshed through which we have just passed. The rights of the people were not regarded—their Representatives were hurled from their seats by the strong arm of power, wielded by an unscrupulous party—setting aside justice, equity, respect, decency and all law and legal forms of trial, and by one fell swoop struck a death-blow to the sacred rights of the people. Were there any reasons for this hot haste, some justification might be found for such an unprecedented course. None is found. All this is the work of a party that in [illegible], called together at an extra session for a particular purpose, and under a pledge that no other than the object specified in the Governor's message should receive the attention of the House, and when we could have no expectation that this matter would be called up. All this is done by a party claiming and arrogating to itself justice, morality and piety, declaiming against the intolerance of others, and ready to sacrifice their children, their wives and their own lives, in defence of what they deem to be their rights. All this is done by a party born at Big Springs, baptized at Topeka, and taken into full communion at Grasshopper Falls, who have been so law-abiding that they have only survived under the protection of an armed force. Arraigned, tried, convicted and executed without an opportunity to make a defence—a proceeding more in accordance with the rules of the Spanish Inquisition, than a free Legislative Assembly to enact laws for a free people, we again protest against the whole proceeding as an outrage upon the sovereign rights of the people of Leavenworth County, and a violation of all law and rules of justice, and unbecoming an enlightened people.

A. B. BARTLETT,
SILAS ARMSTRONG,
F. B. WHITESIDES,
H. B. DENMAN.

LECOMPTON, Dec. 11, 1857.

To-day a bill will be presented in the Assembly providing for a Board of Election Supervisors, consisting of the Secretary of the Territory and the presiding officers of the two branches of the Legislature, further providing that all election returns shall, in future, be made to them, and declaring it a penal offence to make returns to any other party; also, giving Judges of Probate jurisdiction in civil cases.

It also provides for an election of delegates to a Convention to "indorse, reënact, or frame a Constitution and State Government," on the 4th of January next, which Convention shall meet at Topeka on the 18th of January, and if they indorse any other than the Lecompton Constitution, both the one thus adopted and the Lecompton Constitution shall be submitted to a full and fair vote of the legal voters in Kansas, on the second Wednesday in February following, and the Constitution receiving the highest number of votes at said election, shall immediately become the organic law of Kansas.

This is the substance of the bill, and it delineates a policy, which, if adhered to, will quell the rising storms so far as it is possible to do so by legislation. It is believed the plan will find general favor throughout our ranks, and will give our friends in Congress an affirmative position upon which to meet all opposing arguments, especially those favoring an enabling act. Kansas wants no such act. We want popular sovereignty fairly exemplified, without interference from Congress or any other source. RANDOLPH.

Later from the Territory—Rumors of the action of the Legislature.

From the St. Louis Democrat, Dec. 21.

Passengers who came down on the cars from Jefferson City last night, bring somewhat later advices from Kansas, although their statements are rather vague and contradictory. The most direct and specific, so far as we can gather, are from Lecompton, to Wednesday, the 16th inst.

The Legislature was still in session, and actively making preparations in regard to the election to be held to-day. Gen. DENVER had arrived at the Territorial seat of government, but had not, as yet, superseded STANTON. The fraudulently-elected Pro-Slavery members from Leavenworth and Atchison Counties had been displaced, and their Free-State competitors admitted. On Tuesday the Legislature had passed a bill calling out the militia to preserve peace on the 21st, and had provided for a major-general and nine brigadier-generals to command the troops. They were likewise reported as having passed an act submitting the whole *Constitution to a vote of the people on the 21st, and also the Topeka Constitution—the one receiving a majority of all the votes cast to be sent to Congress.* They had also passed an election law making it felony to return fraudulent votes, (punishable by fine and imprisonment,) and containing other guarantees to secure a full and free expression of the people. It would be inferred from this, that the Calhoun Judges of election had not been superseded, but we incline to doubt it. These laws were said to have been sent in to Secretary STANTON for approval on Tuesday evening; but our informant had it from sources in which he placed confidence, that he would veto them on Wednesday. The Free-State men had, however, full control of both Houses, and would pass them over his head. It was thought that the Legislature would adjourn the next day, unless difficulties in regard to their action were interposed.

There was much excitement at Lecompton. Men had gathered there from all parts of the Territory. LANE was present with a volunteer force of five or six hundred men. DENVER, it was said, would, when he took STANTON'S place, call out the United States troops. We have given the substance of the various reports above, without attaching to them any explicit faith. Our regular advices did not come to hand last evening, owing to some unaccountable delay. Readers can form their own opinions.

Action of the Legislature.

From the Lawrence Herald of Freedom, Dec. 12.

A message was received last evening from Gov. STANTON, announcing to the Legislature that the Pro-Slavery members in the Legislature from Atchison County had resigned. A new election will probably be ordered.

A bill has been reported to the Council providing for a submission of the Lecompton Constitution to a vote of the people, on the 4th of January next. It provides in substance that the election shall be by ballot; that they shall vote "for the Lecompton Constitution without the Pro-Slavery clause;" "For the

[illegible] Constitution with the Free-Negro Clause, or "No Lecompton Constitution."

A bill has been passed in the Legislature [illegible] which has been passed to its third reading.

A [illegible] of the Legislature to Kansas by the Democratic Convention, Resolutions for the Election—Governor Lane not [illegible].

[Our Correspondence.]

St. Louis, Wednesday, Dec. 23.

The Democrat has news from Lecompton that the Convention passed an Act submitting the Lecompton Constitution to the vote of the people of the Territory on the 4th January, in three forms, viz: First—Constitution with Slavery; Second—Constitution without Slavery; Third—Against the Constitution.

Stringent measures had been adopted for watching the polls on the 21st. Committees were appointed in each Precinct to take the names of all voters, so as to detect fraud in votes. A good many Missourians were going over to vote.

An exciting affray occurred at Doniphan, in which a Free-State man, named LAPHAM, had been murdered.

The report of General LANE's death was false.

Secretary STANTON had rejected the Militia and other obnoxious bills, which were not insisted on by the Legislature.

St. Louis, Wednesday, Dec. 23—P. M.

The Democrat has further advices from Kansas, stating that the Legislature has passed an act repealing the law authorizing the Constitutional Convention.

The Militia law was passed over acting Governor STANTON's veto.

General LANE is appointed Major-General with eight Brigadiers; also an Adjutant, and a full military organization.

FALL OF A BUILDING IN SIXTH-AVENUE—NARROW ESCAPE.—At a few minutes to 1 yesterday morning, the large brick building at the corner of Sixth-avenue and Forty-seventh-street suddenly fell to the ground with a tremendous crash. The noise occasioned by the fall was heard several blocks and woke up all the people in the neighborhood. A large crowd soon rushed to the place, and, for a time, there was considerable excitement, as it was supposed a number of persons had been buried beneath the ruins. It was finally ascertained that only one person, a private watchman, was in the building, and that he had most fortunately, though miraculously, escaped with his life. The watchman was unable to explain his escape. He said he was awakened by hearing a sudden crash about him, and in a moment found himself crawling out from underneath some rubbish. The building was owned by Mr. BETTLEWORTH, and was used as a barrel manufactory. The immense weight of the materials stored on the floors was the cause of the tumble.

A PORTSMOUTH CHARGED WITH STEALING AND SELLING CERTAIN RAIL TICKETS.—John H. Van Tassel, one of the Special aids of the Superintendent of Police, was arrested yesterday morning charged with stealing tickets at the Nursery Ball given at the Academy of Music on Tuesday evening. Dr. Alex. B. Mott, one of the Managers, happened to be standing near the front door where Mr. J. H. Brown was receiving the tickets. As the rush was very lively at the time, Mr. Brown deposited the tickets as fast as received in his overcoat pocket, awaiting a leisure opportunity to deposit them in a tin box placed by his side for the purpose. Officer Van Tassel, who stood by the side of Mr. Brown, was observed by Dr. Mott to reach his hand slightly into Mr. Brown's pocket and take out a handful of tickets. The Doctor asked him what he was about, and he replied that he wanted simply to look at the tickets, which he proceeded to do for an instant, and then put them back. Suspicion was excited in the Doctor's mind against the officer, as he concluded that some stranger motive must be at the bottom of his proceeding than the one assigned. He accordingly deemed it best to keep a sharp look-out on his movements. In a minute or two, Mr. Van Tassel left, and proceeded to another door, where tickets were being received. He here offered to assist the ticket man, which proffer of service the latter gladly accepted. Mr. Van Tassel assumed the duty of depositing the tickets; and, according to Dr. Mott's statement, deposited about half of them received in the tin box and the rest in his pocket. He kept at this for a while, when he told the ticket man he was compelled to leave, and could not ask him to be longer. He passed leisurely out into the parlor, and sold ten of the stolen tickets for 50 to a gentleman named Seagriff. Dr. Mott at this stage of the proceedings, thought he had watched him long enough, and stepping up to Mr. Van Tassel, he told him that he had seen him steal the tickets and sell them, and that he was going to have him arrested. The Doctor went inside, and finding Sergeant Lefferts, who has charge of the Detective Police, notified him of the facts, and asked him to arrest Van Tassel. Sergeant Lefferts told Dr. Mott that Mr. Superintendent Tallmadge was in the building, and that if he would authorize the arrest he would instruct some of his men to effect it at once. While Mr. Tallmadge was giving his orders for the arrest, Sergeant Lefferts sent two of his men to look up Van Tassel, but by this time it appears he had left and gone home. The officers proceeded to his house in Sixty-fifth-street, arrested him in bed, and took him to the Nineteenth Ward Station-house, where he was locked up for the night.

Yesterday morning Van Tassel was brought to the Police Headquarters, and a formal charge with specifications sworn to by Dr. Mott, was entered against him. The case has been set down by the Police Commissioners for examination on Saturday. Meantime the accused is discharged from duty and pay, but was released from custody on his parole. Van Tassel was formerly a member of the Municipal Police, although not connected with the department when the recent Police Commissioners went into office. He was Lieutenant of the Central Park Police, but it will be remembered the Comptroller refused to pay him anything, as he was drawing a salary at the same time under Street Commissioner Taylor.

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The friends and acquaintances of his family, and of his son-in-law, Thomas Kerr, and Alexander Annett, are respectfully invited to attend his funeral, from his late residence, No. 30 Suffolk-st., on Thursday afternoon, at 1 o'clock, without further invitation.

TUTHILL.—In Hoboken, N. J., on Tuesday, Dec. 22, DANIEL L. TUTHILL, in the 45th year of his age.

The friends of the family are invited to attend his funeral on Thursday, Dec. 24, at 10 o'clock A. M., from his late residence, No. 11 Hudson-terrace. His remains will be taken to Jamaica, L. I., for interment.

EDWARDS.—At Dubuque, Iowa, on Friday, Dec. 18, ARTHUR T. EDWARDS, of this City, aged 26 years.

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MORRELL.—In Brooklyn, E. D., on Wednesday morning, Dec. 23, M. CARSLINE L. VALENTINE, wife of Charles Valentine, and daughter of the late Daniel Dodge, aged 23 years, 10 months and 24 days.

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ACADEMY OF MUSIC.—MARTHA. SATURDAY, Dec. 26. OPERA AND BALLET. Second and last night of MARTHA. [illegible] composed for Carl Formes.) Mad. De La Grange will appear as MARTHA. Carl Formes in the great role of PLUNKETT. Mad. Von Berkel, Tiberini, Lehmann. During the [illegible] MLLE. TERESA ROLLA will appear, supported by the Corps de Ballet. Reserved seats, $1 and $1 50, according to location, may be had at the Academy of Music, C. BREUSING'S, and SIBELL'S stationery store, No. [illegible] Wall-st.

THE SALE OF SEATS commences on Thursday, Dec. 24, when only the $1 50 reserved seats will be sold. On Saturday will be sold the $1 seats and the remaining $1 50 seats. Tickets to the family circle (50 cents) and to the amphitheatre (25 cents) can only be had on the evening at the doors, where admission to the lower part of the Academy ($1) may likewise be had. Doors open at 7; commence at 8.

ON MONDAY, [illegible] GALA NIGHT. First and only night of the favorite Opera of I PURITANI. Being the first occasion [illegible] Italian Opera in which CARL FORMES will appear. On the same evening, POSITIVELY THE LAST APPEARANCE BUT ONE OF (Prior to his departure for Europe) SIGISMOND THALBERG, Who will appear between the acts of the Opera and play two of his most admired compositions. HENRI VIEUXTEMPS Will appear on the same evening.

MR. THALBERG'S FAREWELL APPEARANCE IN NEW-YORK, prior to his departure for Europe.

Mr. Ullman respectfully announces that Mr. Thalberg, after a career unexampled both in pecuniary profit, artistic success, and duration of popularity, is about to depart on an intended tour through the South and South America, whence he will embark for Europe, to return to his family.

Mr. Thalberg owes it both to the public and to himself to make his farewell appearance in New-York; but, desirous of not interfering with the now so brilliant prospects of the Opera, he has abandoned the idea of giving farewell concerts on his own account, and generously volunteered to play at the Academy of Music THREE TIMES ON OPERA NIGHTS.

Mr. Ullman is convinced that the public will not fail to avail themselves of the last opportunity to hear once more one of the world's greatest artists, whose name as the creator of a new school, which has entirely revolutionized piano-playing, will stand foremost in the annals of the history of music.

Mr. Ullman cannot allow the present opportunity to pass without publicly announcing his deep obligation to Mr. Thalberg for his [illegible] cooperation in the conception and carrying out of the arrangements for the present opera season. [illegible] for the warm interest taken by Mr. Thalberg in the permanent establishment of the opera [illegible] interest dictated by purely artistic feeling—the present season could hardly have differed from [illegible] years. It was the prestige of Mr. Thalberg's great [illegible] and the weight of his name that enabled Mr. Ullman to present to the American public the great combination of artists, who will make the season of 1857-8 a memorable one.

The first of MR. THALBERG'S FAREWELL APPEARANCES will take place on MONDAY NEXT, Dec. 28, Jointly with HENRI VIEUXTEMPS, when Bellini's [illegible] Opera of I PURITANI will be given on the same evening, for the first and only time this season, with MAD. LAGRANGE, LABOCETTA, [illegible] GASSIER and CARL FORMES in his celebrated role of Georgio.

NOTICE.—The public are respectfully informed that A GRAND TESTIMONIAL [illegible] MR. THALBERG On the occasion of his FAREWELL APPEARANCE [illegible] New-York, Will be given on SATURDAY, Jan. 2, when the programme will contain attractions such as have never been offered to any public.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.

The Management [illegible] to announce that on this evening and every evening until Christmas will be performed the great local drama of THE POOR OF NEW-YORK, received nightly with the greatest [illegible] ever elicited in this City.

Written by the [illegible] to illustrate the [illegible] of 1837 and those of 1857, from which we have just so happily emerged, it pictures many of those scenes with which New-Yorkers are familiar. New and illustrative [illegible] composed by Robert Stoepel, and new scenery by [illegible] and Wallace.

Characters by Mr. BLAKE, Mr. LESTER, Mr. SOTHERN, Mr. T. B. JOHNSTON, Mr. SLOAN, Mr. NORTON, Mr. [illegible] Mr. LEVERE, Mrs. HOEY, Mrs. BLAKE, Mrs. COOKE, Mrs. J. H. ALLEN, &c., &c., &c.

The two great scenes, [illegible] Union-square and the Academy of Music by Night, and The Fire in [illegible]

Nightly elicit the [illegible] applause. Other novelties in active preparation.

An Afternoon Performance of THE POOR OF NEW-YORK, commencing at 1 P. M., will be given on Christmas Day.

CROWDS OF VISITORS [illegible] DUSSELDORF GALLERY. POWERS' [illegible] [illegible] Broadway.

AMUSEMENTS.

LAURA KEENE'S THEATRE.

GRAND GALA NIGHT.

CHRISTMAS EVE! [illegible] CHRISTMAS

The Management [illegible] her numerous friends and patrons [illegible] and in order to secure [illegible] has provided for their entertainment a [illegible] pantomime, such as [illegible] to laugh and [illegible]

GRAND COMIC CHRISTMAS PANTOMIME, HARLEQUIN BLUE BEARD; OR, THE GOOD FAIRY TRIUMPHANT OVER THE DEMON OF DISCORD.

Splendid new scenery by .... Getz and Almy
Original overture and music by .... Mr. Thomas Baker
Stage mechanism by .... [illegible] and Assistants
Properties, tricks, [illegible] by .... Lloyd and Assistants
Costumes, new and [illegible] by .... Mrs. Rosenbaum and Assistants

The following are [illegible] of the extraordinary characters represented in this [illegible] humor.

[illegible] Blue Beard, [illegible] old turkey buzzard, with any quantity of [illegible] (afterwards Clown) .... Mr. Grimes [illegible] the elder)

Twenty-one Mrs. Blue Beards (without heads) by .... One-and-twenty good women

All the Blue Bell Beards, (no less than twenty-one in number, and consequential to [illegible] in the lump.)

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Selim, a fine specimen of young Turkey, (afterwards Harlequin) .... Mast. Muttonhead

Precious, of the intelligence office in Fairy Land, the Directress, and [illegible] in this land the protectress .... Mad. Nochargetillsuited

Fat Cook at $8 per month and her Sundays to herself, finding her own tea and sugar—in Blue Beard's cupboard .... Mlle. Greasy

Green Turtle (every night) .... Mast. Slowbutsure

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The Army, eight military heroes who distinguished themselves at the battle of Jones' Woods, carrying any quantity of cake baskets and tin dippers. Means, Right, Left, Wheel, Face, Shoulderarms, Standatease.

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Harlequina .... Miss Henrietta Lang
Harlequin .... Mr. B. Yates
Sprite .... [illegible] Leon
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Clown .... Mr. C. Henry
(His first appearance in his native City for 15 years.)

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Emilie de Lesparre .... Miss C. Thompson

AN EXTRA PERFORMANCE of the Pantomime will be given on Christmas Afternoon, at 2 P. M., also on the Afternoon of Saturday, Dec. 26, at the same hour.

Doors open at 6½; to commence at 7 precisely.

NIBLO'S GARDEN.

THURSDAY EVENING, Dec. 24, 1857. GABRIEL, ANTOINE, AND JEROME RAVEL. THE DASHING MLLE. MARIETTA ZANFRETTA. Comic Pantomime, NICODEMUS. EVOLUTIONS ON THE TIGHT ROPE. Comic Pantomime, THE CONSCRIPT.

Doors open at 6½; to commence at 7½ o'clock. Tickets 50 cents; Upper boxes, 25 cents. Children, 25 cents.

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CHRISTMAS EVE, Dec. 24. The performances to commence with [illegible] Great Bright [illegible] and Gymnasts [illegible] The Elephants, ANTONY AND CLEOPATRA. Afterwards, the [illegible]

[illegible] THURSDAY EVENING, Dec. 24. The Comic Pantomime of [illegible] THE SPIRIT OF AIR. The entertainment will commence with the Drama of THE GUNMAKER OF MOSCOW. To conclude with the comedietta of IN AND OUT OF PLACE. Doors open at 6½ o'clock. Curtain will rise at 7 o'clock.

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AMUSEMENTS.

POWERS' GREEK SLAVE, MASTERPIECE [illegible]

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A. COTTON, S. THOMAS, Auctioneers, No. 239 Broadway.
DANIELS, HOUGH CALLS PARTICULAR attention of persons in want of neatly furnished household goods to his sale at auction, THIS DAY, (Thursday,) Dec. 24, of all of the rich and costly goods contained in his private residence No. 248 West 23d-st., near 9th-av. All the goods were made for the present owner, have been but little used and are in fine condition. Sale positive. No gammon. Sale to commence at half past eight precisely. All purchasers in the basement are entitled to a share of the Dining-room ware, together with all the Kitchen utensils and the entire China, Dinner and tea ware, ivory handled knives, silver ware, and glass, &c., belonging to the family.
In the parlors and velvet carpets and rugs, and three rosewood and mahogany center and side tables, corner and wall stands, hand wheelbarrow, Sergent's plate glass, Chinese vases, [illegible] ware, [illegible] chairs, [illegible] gravings, [illegible] rosewood piano, [illegible] and covers, &c.
Parlors.—Elegant [illegible] of carved rosewood [illegible] Brussels carpets, [illegible] Turkey rugs, French [illegible] &c.; also a lot of fine quality [illegible] and other liquors, also about [illegible] and Cabana cigars, to be sold without reserve. Terms cash.

[illegible] Auctioneer.
IRVING AND WATKINS WILL SELL AT auction, THIS DAY, at half past 10 o'clock, at No. 5 Pine-st., a superb collection of fancy goods, consisting of Gilt, Plate and silver ware, Parian figures and groups, gilt and bronze clocks, vases, Colognes, perfumery, &c. Also, a few Christmas [illegible] of every description. Tomorrow is Christmas. Call and examine if you want to buy cheap.

[illegible] Auctioneer.
ALL PARTIES WISHING TO DISPOSE of their [illegible] by giving a WATKINS during NEW-YEARS week, will find [illegible] No. 5 Pine-st., will [illegible] in their [illegible] and services, by Saturday, Dec. 26, before 3 o'clock P.M. No goods can be received after that time.

A. J. BLEECKER, Auctioneer.
AUCTION NOTICE.—J. E. VAN ARSDALE [illegible] at his salesroom, No. 4 Broad-st., will sell [illegible] Brussels, Venetian, Ingrain, Rag, Matting, Oil Cloth, Mats, Rugs, Hearth Rugs, Door Mats, Brooms, Brushes, Baskets, Tubs, Pails, Washboards, Clothes Pins, Clothes Lines, Cordage, Twine, Wicks, Tallow Candles, Soap, Starch, Saleratus, Pipes, Tobacco, Snuff, Segars, Cigars, Cordials, Wines, Liquors, Ale, Porter, Cheese, Butter, Lard, Hams, Shoulders, Sides, Pickled Pigs Feet, Tongues, Lobsters, Oysters, Sardines, Preserved Fruits, Pickles, Sauces, Mustard, Pepper, Spices, Ginger, Nutmegs, Cinnamon, Mace, Cloves, Allspice, Saleratus, Soda, Cream Tartar, Tea, Coffee, Sugar, Molasses, Rice, Flour, Meal, Potatoes, Onions, Apples, Cranberries, Pumpkins, Squashes, Turnips, Cabbages, Beets, Carrots, Parsnips, Celery, Lemons, Oranges, Raisins, Figs, Nuts, Candies, Toys, Dolls, Fancy Goods, Crockery, Glass, Tinware, Woodenware, Willow Ware, Stoves, Furniture, Feathers, Mattresses, Bedsteads, Bedding, Looking Glasses, Pictures, Frames, Clocks, Watches, Jewelry, Plated Ware, Cutlery, Guns, Pistols, Powder, Shot, Lead, Percussion Caps, Fishing Tackle, Boots, Shoes, Rubbers, Hats, Caps, Furs, Hardware, Iron, Nails, Spikes, Tools, Saws, Axes, Hoes, Rakes, Scythes, Snaths, Grain Cradles, Shovels, Spades, Forks, Hoes, Chains, Rope, Tobacco, Cigars, Snuff, Seg

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[illegible] popular sovereignty, in [illegible] had even been told that popular sovereignty was the same principle of the Revolution which [illegible] brought forward in the Nebraska bill. Well, as he had said to that, if this were a principle of the Revolution that had [illegible] from the Union of Massachusetts [illegible] Why, as he understood [illegible] the people to form their own [illegible] was that to be carried out [illegible] Application was to be made [illegible] the privilege of forming a Government [illegible] was to be passed by them, making [illegible] of the Government after it [illegible] would have been a [illegible] principle of the revolution. If John Hancock and George Washington applied to Great [illegible] the principles of the revolution, for the [illegible] and the frame-work of the government [illegible] it struck him that the revolution [illegible] indefinitely postponed. (A Voice—"Go on!") Applause was to be made [illegible] and cheers.) Mr. VAN BUREN concluded [illegible] that no such principle was asserted [illegible] and instanced the State of New-York [illegible] framed a Constitution in the very act [illegible] which was never submitted to the people. He urgently appealed to the Democracy in behalf of the Union, condemned sectional agitators, [illegible] to the South the credit of having demolished Know-Nothingism and Black Republicanism, [illegible] of the party to treat each other with [illegible] to know no North, no South, [illegible] Union. (Loud applause and prolonged cheering.)

Mr. VAN BUREN was loudly cheered at the termination [illegible] Just before he concluded a thief [illegible] attempted to take Ex-Captain LADDER's [illegible] from his cravat. The Captain [illegible] the experiment and turned instantly on the [illegible] giving him such a thrashing as ought to operate as a warning to him for the rest of his life, [illegible] amid the [illegible] amidst the [illegible] Confederacy soon to be [illegible] it was now the admiration of the [illegible]